



Prayer answered

Pope John Paul II gives 7-year-old Olivia Wofford of Canton Township her first communion in the Vatican Dec. 24 in Italy. Wofford and her mother were among 100 people receiving holy communion from the pope on Christmas Eve. (see story A-2) MCN Special Photo

Ryznar van target of vandalism

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

An angry former city council candidate John Ryznar charged anti-injection well group members caused \$1,100 damage to his van parked outside a Romulus Ramada Inn the day before the last city election.

Ryznar complained that two other council candidates Deborah Romak and Tony Heimberger along with other Romulus Environmentalists Caring About People (RECAP) members probably "keyed" his van that night and harassed a man he hired to work a phone bank.

Ryznar exited the council chambers seconds after he unleashed his charge.

But his complaints were refuted later by both Heimberger and R.P. Lilly, both who admitted being at the hotel on the date in question, but said they were escorted out of the hotel by a security guard.

Lilly said the RECAP members were at the hotel because they found that the Ryznar workers were passing out "political smut attacking former Mayor Beverly McAnally and several council candidates."

But he strongly denied that RECAP members (including Romak) had anything to do with the keying vandalism. (Keying is a term used when

What you have accepted is the least newspaper coverage for the city of Romulus at the highest cost.

- James Rarey

someone using a key like object to scrape paint off a vehicle.)

Later in the meeting, citizen James Rarey urged the City Council to reconsider its decision on the official newspaper contract. The council in December awarded the official paper pact to the *News-Herald* on the basis that company was the only one to turn in a bid for the advertising on time.

Rarey said the council had three options: (1) waive the deadline technicality and give the bid to the *Romulus Roman*, (2) reject the bids and call for a new bidding; or (3) approve the *News-Herald*.

"Under Roberts Rules of Order the council can rescind its previous action under the unfinished business portion of the meeting and ask for a re-bidding," Rarey continued.

Later in the unfinished business portion of the night, Rarey asked to speak again and asked if anyone on the council supported his concept. All in attendance (except

but the votes were caught on personal inspection during the recount on Dec. 11.

Choate said the problem was more widespread than normal because many Nov. 7 voters were casting a ballot for the first time since the city installed the new system.

Collins warned that if such actions are repeated in future elections, more and more costly recounts will be asked.

Choate said a better system of voter education needs to be created, so that voters know that a heavy fill-in of the ballot needs to be done for the vote to be caught by the computer.

Councilwoman Mary Collins, who voted no on the bid) refused to consider rescinding the bid.

Since Collins voted no originally, she was prohibited from making such a motion.

Upon seeing no action being taken, Rarey said "What you have accepted is the least newspaper coverage for the city of Romulus at the highest cost."

No *News-Herald* reporter has been seen at the council meetings since the newspaper's bid was accepted for the year 1996.

A third issue raised at the council meeting pertained to vote recording efforts at the past council election.

Collins said that a letter from Wayne County complained about the votes that didn't register with the city's computer during the November election.

City Clerk Linda Choate said the biggest problem was that some voters didn't fill in the ballot box heavy enough,

Chief Greenslait will be replaced

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The slow process of building the administration of Mayor William Oakley continued Monday night, as it was announced that a new Romulus fire chief would be revealed soon and that current Chief William Greenslait would be leaving on Friday.

In addition, Oakley revealed he has replaced city Ordinance Department Director Steve Banko with Hulen Yates.

Yates, 57, of Romulus, worked in the Department of Public Works in the 1970s. He also was self employed for many years, he said.

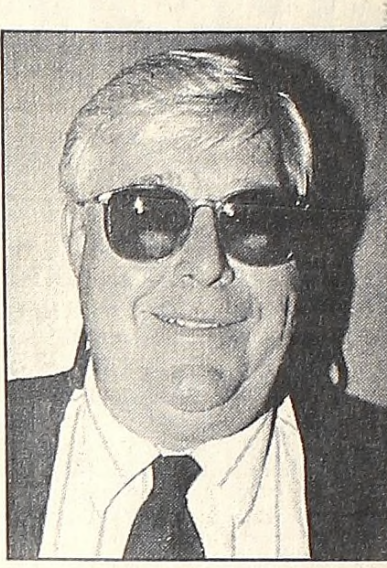
In addition, the position and salary of Mayor Assistant Thomas Morris, 51, was further clarified and approved.

Greenslait appeared briefly before the City Council on Monday to thank the veteran city officials for their past support. He told the press just before the council meeting that he wasn't sure if he would retire or not.

Greenslait has been a Taylor and Romulus fire official for 35 years, the last eight and a half years as the Romulus chief.

Greenslait will be best remembered for his emphasis on continuing education for his fire fighters and for his constant verbal praises of his staff.

He had said several years ago, "When I leave this post, I want to leave the city with the best service that the taxpayers' money could provide, and I want to know that I've helped



Chief William Greenslait

the department reach that plateau."

Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear told Greenslait, "You will be greatly missed."

Oakley revealed he has selected his choice of a new fire chief, but would not announce it until next week.

Councilwoman Deborah Romak also publicly thanked Banko for his past services to the city.

On the Morris job issue, Oakley revealed that his assistant would be paid \$37,000 for his never ending duties. Presently Oakley admitted that he and Morris confer almost every waking hour and currently he is working hard to fill the empty positions in the building and community development departments.

Oakley said he has put the word out that the city is looking for a new fire chief.

See **REPLACED**, page A-3

LaMonica begins new school duties

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The second new Romulus School District administrator to take office in two months, Dr. Sam LaMonica, has begun his duties as director of human resources.

His appointment was preceded by the vacancy caused by the departure of long time Assistant Superintendent Dr. Terrel LeCesne.

After LeCesne left Romulus for Inkster, two new positions were created in the administration office. The other (curriculum director) was filled by former Romulus High School Principal Thomas Dolan.

LaMonica, 56, officially came on staff on Jan. 3 and conducted his first preliminary discussions on labor issues in the district this past Monday seeking to learn the key elements of local contracts and any problem areas that they may face.

Asked why he decided to switch to Romulus, LaMonica said he had served in the Livonia school system for 21 years and began thinking of relocating professionally about a year ago.

"When I saw the listing from Romulus, I thought it matched my resume. Being I already knew Superintendent Dr. William Bedell, Joel Carr and LeCesne, I decided to apply and was accepted" for the newly designed post.

LaMonica's most recent position in Livonia was director of employee relations and benefits.

He said the enthusiasm he



Dr. Sam LaMonica

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- Dr. Sam LaMonica

has found in the Romulus school administration office is exciting to him and he wants to pass those positive feelings on to the rest of the school staff.

"I'm impressed that the Romulus schools have a definite plan to enter the next century, as they are taking a pro-active approach to instructional services," LaMonica said.

Across the U.S. today it is no longer business as usual in education, he stressed, and Romulus is poised to make those needed changes.

LaMonica said he is thrilled to be part of the planned school updates.

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Papal communion 'heavenly' for Canton girl, mother

By HEATHER NEEDHAM
MCN Staff Writer

Not everyone can boast of having visited Rome, let alone visiting Rome, taking communion from the pope, and having him smile at you.

Olivia Wofford, 7, of Canton recently received her first communion from Pope John Paul II in the Vatican. She and her family took a week-long trip to Rome, where she received her first holy communion from the pope. She was among 100 people to take communion in the Christmas Eve services.

Though the communion was intended to be a treat for Olivia, mother Christine Jonasz-Wofford was just as excited as her young daughter about taking the trip.

"It was just absolutely fabulous," Jonasz-Wofford said of the experience. "We're grateful that we were able to celebrate communion." The pope had to cut his Christmas day services short because of a nasty bout of flu, so his Christmas Eve service was a blessing for those who traveled thousands of miles.

Jonasz-Wofford described the experience as being like

heaven on earth.

"It was like being in heaven," she said. "Everything was gorgeous, and very, very big," she said, adding, "You did feel like you were in heaven."

Olivia Wofford was suffering from an extremely nervous stomach before receiving her communion, and having to lead the recipients up for communion added to her stress. When the pope saw her, he smiled at her, Jonasz-Wofford said.

The pope also said he was looking forward to meeting Wofford, he said to Jonasz-Wofford. Very few children re-

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It was like being in heaven. Everything was gorgeous, and very, very big.
- Christine Jonasz-Wofford

ceive communion from the pope, she said.

Wofford was the focus of attention when she stepped out of her hotel room in her communion gown. Various photographers, tourists, and others had not seen such a young girl receiving papal communion before, Jonasz-Wofford said.

"It's not every day people see such a pretty blue-eyed lit-

tle girl with bows in her hair wearing a communion gown," she said.

"We're very proud of (Olivia)," she said. "She got a lot of attention."

Usually only adults are selected to receive papal communion, so Olivia's youth was a novelty for onlookers, she said.

An area priest who heard Jonasz-Wofford's dream of having her daughter receive papal communion made the trip possible. He has asked to remain anonymous.

"We feel very, very, very blessed," she said adding, "We feel very proud of our Catholic faith-the Catholic ceremonial traditions."

Though the communion was the highlight of the trip, other

highlights were visiting ancient ruins, the Coliseum, and a public square designed by artist Michelangelo.

The family also visited a discotheque, despite having to pay big money for admission and drinks.

"It cost \$25 just to get in," she said. In addition, drinks were \$12.

For Olivia, the highlight of the trip was eating Italian ice cream, which her mother said is much better than American ice cream.

"The ice cream is much better than it is here," she said. "It's very delicious."

Jonasz-Wofford said she is looking forward to visiting Rome again, possibly next Easter.

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The Inkster Housing Commission is seeking to employ residents to work as servicepersons, performing duties such as filling work orders, grass cutting, and preparing units for occupancy. Excellent working conditions and benefits will be provided.

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VENTILATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE MOTORPOOL DIVISION

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Richard P. Dittmar
Purchasing Agent

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CITY OF WESTLAND

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before **Tuesday, February 6, 1996 at 10:00 a.m.** for the following:

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Richard P. Dittmar
Purchasing Agent

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CITY OF WESTLAND

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before **Thursday, February 1, 1996 at 11:00 a.m.** for the following:

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Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Richard P. Dittmar
Purchasing Agent

Publish: January 11, 1996

ABSTRACT

WAYNE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING NO. 96-02

JANUARY 3, 1996

Regular meeting of the City Council held January 3, 1996 at 8:10 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall. Members present: Warfield, Dickerson, Haidous, Dobrowolski and Powell. Members absent: Phillips and McEachern, both excused. Observed moment of silence for former Police Lt. James Staley. Approved minutes of special and regular meetings held December 19, 1995. Approved requests: Re-adoption of resolution regarding the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Wayne-Westland Community Schools request for the City to collect 100% of school property taxes in the summer of 1996; Tri-City Christian Center waiver of site plan review fee. Awarded bid for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for DPW. Held second reading and adopted Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinances 412.20, Occupant Restraint Usage and 412.21, Mandatory Child Restraints.

APPROVED: Lease extension with Advanced Materials Process Corporation concerning the City's Howe Road property; Professional Services Agreement with Jane A. Prochaska for the purpose of updating the Parks & Recreation Master Plan; Agreement with Wayne County relative to the 1996 Van Born Road Resurfacing Project; Change Orders #1 with both Simone Contracting and Leo J. Vandervennet and Sons regarding the Aquatic Center; 1996 SEMCOG dues; Sale of Lot 92a2 of Chase and Abells Addition; Emergency repairs to the furance at the Historical Museum; Appointment of David Kiras to the Festival Commission to October of 1998. Received and filed Communications and Reports and Consent Calendar. Adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Doris A. Nall, City Clerk

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ABSTRACT

WAYNE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING NO. 96-01

JANUARY 3, 1996

Special meeting of the City Council held January 3, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall. Members present: Warfield, Dickerson, Haidous, Dobrowolski and Powell. Members absent: Phillips and McEachern, both excused. Held discussion regarding financing of the Senior Citizens Center and the Aquatic Center. Approved 15-year bond issue as recommended by Administration. Held discussion regarding the development of City-owned property at the northwest corner of Van Born and Merriman Roads. Approved the acceptance of an offer to purchase from Russell Development. Adjourned at 8:8 p.m.

Doris A. Nall, City Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

CITY OF WESTLAND

Newburgh Road Bridge, Boardwalk and Sidewalk Project

Sealed proposals will be received from contractors having current Michigan Department of Transportation pre-qualification will be received by the City of Westland, at the office of the Purchasing Agent, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185-2298 until 10:00 a.m., prevailing local time on February 1, 1996 and then publicly opened and read aloud for the construction of Contract STE 82457.

The work consists of approximately 0.34 miles of pedestrian bridge, boardwalk and sidewalk including fabricating and erecting a steel truss bridge with timber deck boardwalk on steel beams, concrete sidewalk and landscaping.

The Drawings and Specifications under which the work is to be done are on file and may be examined after January 15, 1996 at the City of Westland Engineering Division, 37095 Marquette Road, Westland, MI 48185, Construction Association of Michigan, in Detroit: at Daily Construction Reports Plan Room in Madison Heights, MI.; at the Builders Exchange and/or the F.W. Dodge Corporation in Detroit.

Construction bidding documents may be obtained at the City of Westland Engineering Division, 37095 Marquette, Westland, Mi. 48185 by purchase for the sum of \$20.00 per set. Shipping is an additional \$7.00 per set. There will be no refunds or return of bidding documents. The bidder must supply the telephone number and street address of the individual or firm to whom addenda (if issued) can be directed.

Each bidder shall file a statement signed by, or on behalf of the person, firm, association or corporation submitting the bid certifying that such person, firm, association or corporation has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion or otherwise taken any action, in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the submitted bid. Failure to submit the signed statement as part of the bid proposal will result in rejection of the bid.

This is a Federal Aid Project under the provisions of Section 113 or Title 23 U.S.C. as amended by the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1968. The Davis-Bacon Act is applicable and requires the Secretary of Labor to determine the minimum wage rates to be paid by the Contractor and subcontractors, which rates will be given in detail in the proposal. Net classification for this project is 31-Fa, Fo or J, subject to 60% limitation on subcontracting.

The improvements covered by these plans shall be done in accordance with the Michigan Department of Transportation 1990 Standard Specifications for Construction as amended by Supplemental Specifications and Special Provisions.

A certified check or bidder's bond for a sum not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Proposal will be required with each Proposal.

The right is reserved by the owner to accept any proposal, to reject any proposal and to waive irregularities in Proposals.

No bid may be withdrawn after the above date and time for receiving bids for a period of ninety (90) days.

Richard P. Dittmar
Purchasing Agent

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CITY OF INKSTER ABSTRACTS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

THE City Council met at 7:38 p.m. on Monday, December 18th, at 9:45 p.m. as the Election Commission on Monday, December 18th; and at 6:19 p.m. on December 20th in the Council Chambers. Present on December 18th: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Hendricks, Clemens, Hampton, Collieran, James and Mayor Bivens. ABSENT: None.

Present on December 18th. Commissioners Harris-Foster, Hendricks, Clemens, Bivens, Hampton, Collieran and Chairman James. Present on December 20th: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Hendricks, Clemens, Hampton, Collieran, James and Mayor Bivens.

ABSENT: None.

DECEMBER 18th Council Meeting - CONSENT Calendar items approved: Minutes of 12/4/95 and payment of \$31,320.84 for Police and Fire Pension Payroll. APPROVED the following payments: \$8,232 to Milton Spokojny for attorney services; \$11,193.67 to Wade-Trim for engineering services; \$7,982 to the Wayne County Health Department for Cross Connection Program, \$4,154.63 to the Michigan Department of Public Health for the Water Supply Annual Fee; \$1,439.50 to NTH Consultants, Ltd. for services rendered on the Greenhouse Site Assessment Project; and \$7,023 to EESG and \$70,410.37 to Dan's Excavating, Inc. for services rendered on the Beech Daly Road Improvement Project. MADE the following appointments: Mable Foster to the Aging Commission, Charles C. Schettler to the Board of Canvassers and the Zoning and Housing Appeals Board, James Epps, James Cross and Michael Mellon to the Police Community Relations Advisory Committee; Councilman Hilliard L. Hampton, Jr. to the Planning Commission; and William Taylor to the Board of Canvassers. ACKNOWLEDGED that the Annual Contributions Contract is current with the latest updates in accordance with the agreement with the Inkster Housing and Redevelopment Commission, DENIED the following offers to purchase City-owned property (vacant lots): \$28,000 from Detroit Cellular and \$1,000 from Basel Abunab and Neal Abunab. APPROVED the following offers to purchase City-owned property: \$187 from Milton and Bernice Glover (vacant lot) and 28116-28122 Cherry for \$4,000 from Curtis and Deborah Cannon. TABLED the following offers to purchase City-owned property: 3620-22 Harrison for \$4,000 from the Southwest Block Club and 4181 Harrison for \$100 from the Southwest Block Club. AWARDED demolition contracts to Ellefson and Sons Bldg. Company for \$8,490 and to Stanson Wrecking Company for \$3,595. FORFEITED Good Faith Deposit of \$250 from Louielean Williams for the purchase of 4086 Allen. AWARDED bid to David Bolling for \$2,120 for the purchase of 4086 Allen. ADOPTED resolution requesting the Federal Government to provide financial resources to meet obligations of the current NPDES Permit. APPROVED resolution supporting the vacation of Huck Street with conditions, WAIVED the \$350 rental fee of Multi-Purpose Room for GOGIRLS.

DECEMBER 18th Election Commission Meeting - ESTABLISHED Thompson Towers and Chateau Cherry Hill as independent polling precincts for residents only.

DECEMBER 20th Council Meeting - ACCEPTED the 1994-95 City of Inkster Audit as presented by Plante & Moran. MEETINGS adjourned at 9:45 p.m.; 9:46 p.m.; and 7:35 p.m., respectively. (Full text available upon request).

Delphine G. Oden, CMC
Inkster City Clerk

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ROMULUS NEWS DIGEST

Bandit robs party store

A bandit bearing a small silver semi-automatic pistol held up and robbed the cashier of R.J.'s Party Store on Wayne Road last Thursday night.

Detective Lt. Kenneth Kraus said the bandit flashed the gun at a 23-year-old woman cashier and ordered her to "gimmie the money. This ain't no joke. This is a robbery. Put it in the paper bag or I'll shoot one of you!"

Kraus said there were two other persons there, an 18-year-old Romulus High School graduate and a 12-year-old Allen Park elementary school girl.

The cashier quietly surrendered the money and the man reportedly fled. He was described as a black male, between the ages of 18-25 wearing a black and blue waist length jacket and a black stocking cap.

Burglary suspect awaits hearing

A 24-year-old Romulus man is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail pending a hearing on a first degree home invasion charge.

Detective Lt. Kenneth Kraus reported that Alan Reinhackel waived a hearing last Wednesday in the 34th District Court on the charge he entered a home in the 39000 block of Superior Road and stole a number of Christmas presents, a hunting knife, television set and a VCR from the home.

Police reportedly were able to find Reinhackel by following his footprints in the snow.

He faces an arraignment for information hearing at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit on Jan. 17.

His bail was continued by 34th District Court Judge William Szlinis. Police said the high bail was set because of Reinhackel's past record.

School board is saluted

The Romulus school trustees currently are being honored during School Board Recognition Month. The theme of the celebration is "Uniting Communities through Public Education."

Board President Deborah Hoffman said, "This is a very challenging but exciting time to serve on the Romulus School Board. We are committed to accelerating academic achievement for every student. Their success is everyone's obligation."

Other board members include Kenneth Berlin, vice president; Judith Gondek, secretary; Julie Oleszkowicz, treasurer; Howard Kesner, Sandra Langley and Pat Patterson, trustees.

2 are named to oversee recreation

Local resident Charles Shonta and Romulus High School student Yoruba Mitchell have been named to the Romulus Recreation Commission.

Shonta fills a vacancy created by Dorothy West's moving out of the city and Mitchell takes the student representative seat formerly filled by Dawn DeTroyer.

Wadsworth joins advisory committee

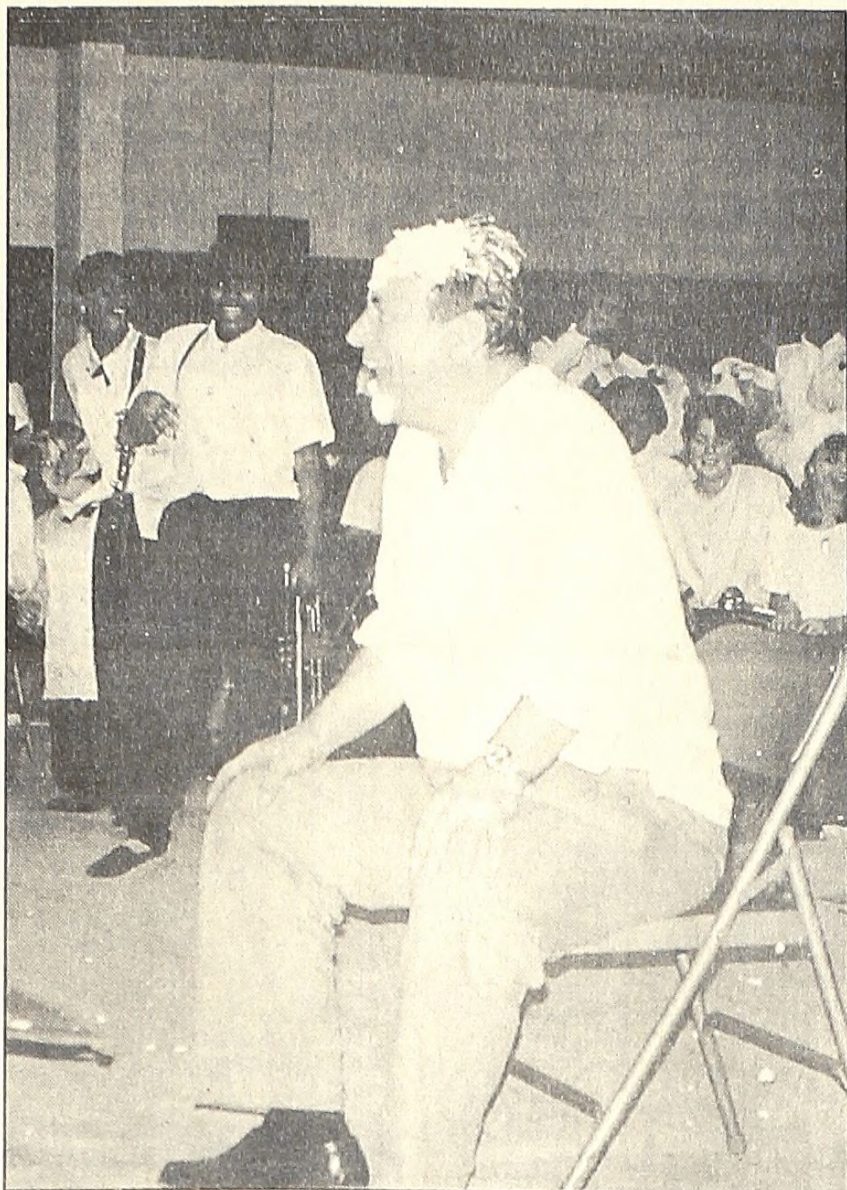
Councilman William Wadsworth has been named to fill the vacancy on the Advisory Appointment Committee.

He joins Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear and Councilman William Raspberry on the committee that screens applicants for various board and commission seats.

Wadsworth replaces ex-Councilman Ellis Pennington, who was defeated in the last election.

Sibert renamed to cable group

Former council candidate Gwen Sibert was renamed last week to another term on the Romulus Cable Commission. Her term is to expire on Jan. 2, 1999.



Romulus Middle School Music Director Richard Kruse is still smiling after he gets hit with the first pie by one of his top-selling band members. MCN Special Photo

Romulus band chief really gets creamed

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus Middle School Band Director Richard Kruse is definitely the "cream" of the teaching staff this week.

Kruse invited any musical student, who sold more than \$300 in items for the musical department's annual fund raiser, to toss a cream-filled pie at him. As a bonus if they sold \$500 or more they were awarded two pies and \$600 or more they were given three pies.

With over \$7,000 in funds collected, Kruse said, 24 Middle School students earned the right to blanket his face and upper body with cream from 33 pies. Three pies were also tossed at him by students from neighboring Wick Elementary School.

High sales person was Crystal Humble, a Concert Band drummer, who collected \$1,185 and earned a free full trip to a

Florida concert this Memorial Day weekend.

Jackie Evans, a Symphonic Band flutist, came in second with \$658 collected, thus earning a half-paid trip to Florida.

Kruse said he was aided in the drawing by his assistant, Christine Fortune.

Thus Humble, Evans and Concert Band flutist Ryan Ser-gott earned the right to toss three pies at Kruse.

Those selling \$500 or more included April DePelice, Ron Bell, Crystal Mincovsky, Christy Weidemann, Jackie Hamilton and Tara Brown.

Those selling \$400 or more included Nick McCray, Andrea Coate and Tyra Donald.

Those selling \$300 or more included Alexis Brown, Melissa Gondek, Shawn Phenix, Nick Stewart, Kristen Goddard, Crystal Renton, Michelle Barley, Stephanie Blackburn, Amy Kruselnicki, Steve Harper, Steve Tasky.



Still smiling after being covered with pie cream, Band Director Richard Kruse awaits more pastries coming his way. MCN Special Photo

Replaced

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ing for a new building department chief and the person must be certified. But he doesn't expect to fill the post "in the next few days."

The mayor reiterated that he hopes to fill as many posts as possible with Romulus people.

Gear asked for a study session on the hiring, since he claimed he had no personal knowledge of Morris.

Councilwoman Deborah Romak stated Morris' job description appeared to her as being a "move toward a city manager."

But Oakley said that would be the last thing his administration would consider.

But Oakley did say that Morris may sit in for him at meetings etc, if he was on vacation or out-of-town for any other reason.

Councilwoman Mary Collins countered Romak by saying she supported Oakley's right to name his own team, particularly since it was covered in the budget. "And I don't think we need a study session on this issue," Collins said.

Morris job description and salary was approved by a 4-1 vote with Gear as the lone opponent. Councilmen Jimmie Raspberry and William Wadsworth were absent.

2 inaugural events slated

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The city's Inaugural Ceremony delayed because of the mayoral recount in December, is now slated for 3 p.m. Jan. 26 in the City Council Chambers.

Chief 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green will officiate at the ceremonial session for the public.

Also to take part are three local religious leaders: the Rev. Brad Lewis of the Community United Methodist Church, Bishop Lovell Wooden Sr. of the House of God Church and Major Roger Senn of the Romulus Salvation Army

Adult Rehabilitation Center.

Slated to be sworn in by Green will be Mayor William Oakley, City Clerk Linda Choate, Treasurer James Napiorkowski, Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear and Council members Mary Collins, William Crova, Michael Prybyla, Jimmie Raspberry, Deborah Romak and William Wadsworth.

A reception will follow in the basement Community Room at City Hall.

The following night, the 13th Romulus Inaugural Ball will be conducted in the International Ballroom of the Royce Hotel, chairman Ron Hopson

reminded area residents.

The evening's festivities will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a reception hour. The dinner will start about an hour later, followed by dance music until about midnight.

Tickets for the dinner dance are open to any Romulus resident at a cost of \$35 per person, Hopson said. The tickets can be purchased up to the deadline of Jan. 22 at either the Mayor's office or Stears True Value Hardware Store at 15031 Middlebelt Road, at Eureka Road.

Further information can be obtained by calling Rita McLenon at 942-7572.

Fire chief is leaving in style

Fire Chief William Greenslait, you will be greatly missed.

That brief comment was made Monday night by Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear after it was announced that Greenslait's career in Romulus had been terminated by Mayor William Oakley.

Both Greenslait and this writer understand the system of politics, how it works and what causes political changes.

Neither of us are saying the change shouldn't have happened either.

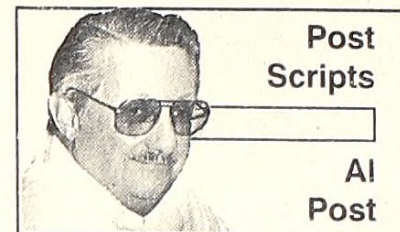
But Greenslait's legacy will be the intense feeling he has for his firefighters, never missing a chance to put them in the spotlight rather than himself.

While packing up his Romulus career materials Tuesday, Greenslait felt some of that support returned to him as his fellow firefighters stopped by headquarters to wish him well.

While his Romulus career was tied closely with former Mayor Beverly McAnally, Greenslait also had a strong kinship with both the male and female members of his staff.

Without inventing any pretext, the veteran firefighter often called the *Romulus Roman* news office to provide tips on possible feature stories about his volunteer and full time staff members.

Probably the most memorable for this reporter was the story surrounding the life and death of the late Romulus Firefighter Henry Barnes in 1994. Barnes died suddenly at home only days after selling Goodfellows newspapers to aid the needy in the city.



Post
Scripts
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Post

Former New England Patriot football star Charles Shonta, who recently retired after serving as a Northville school teacher for 33 years, should be able to add a lot of professionalism to the Romulus Recreation Commission.

Shonta admitted Tuesday morning his fellow Rotarian Ron Hopson encouraged him to get involved in helping create physical programs for youth.

Greenslait's legacy will be the intense feeling he has for his firefighters, never missing a chance to put them in the spotlight rather than himself.

Having been on both a football all-pro-bowl team and league championship team back in the 1960's should provide Shonta with a wide view of what sports activities need to be added in the city.

Shonta also served as head football coach at Northville High for eight years.

One of his daughters, Dana,

3rd time Local Kiwanian to be Lt. Governor

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

For the third time in history, a Romulus Kiwanis Club member has been named to become Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis District 8.

Russel Hurlburt of Romulus will assume the title later this year, following in the footsteps of two earlier Romulus Kiwanians: Hazen P. Hay in 1956 (when the local club was just formed 40 years ago) and Roger Kadam in 1990.

Hurlburt officially met Harry White, 1996 Kiwanis Governor-elect of Rochester, at a recent double inter-club meeting attended by Romulus, Greater Ypsilanti and Milan Kiwanis Club members.

He was alerted to his election last November at installation ceremonies for new Romulus Club officers at the city's Recreation Building. Those proceedings were conducted by Dwight Sunday, who currently is the lieutenant governor and is a member of the Greater Ypsilanti Kiwanis Club.

Kiwanis District 8 is composed of clubs in Milan, Belleville, Wayne, Greater Ypsilanti, Romulus, Taylor Southland and Ypsilanti.

Hurlburt will travel to Mason, Mich. on Saturday to attend a work session at the Michigan Kiwanis Headquarters at which time leadership officers of the state clubs will set up goals for when they officially take office.

White told statewide Kiwanians, "We need to have a clear picture in our minds of what we want to happen, or where we want to go, to have even a ghost of a chance of re-

alizing our hopes and dreams."

He urged Kiwanians to bring selected friends to Kiwanis Club meetings this year.

White said Saturday's session was set up so "we'll learn

together how to recruit members, revitalize our clubs and strengthen our retention program."

He concluded by saying "make membership growth one of your high priority 1996 resolutions."



Romulus Kiwanian Russel Hurlburt (seated left), who was just named lieutenant governor-elect of Kiwanis District 8, meets briefly with Romulus Kiwanis Club President Frederick W. Hay (standing) and Kiwanis Governor-elect Harry White (seated right). MCN Special Photo

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CLUBS, GROUPS

COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE

--will be hosted by the Germania Club of Southgate. Hall open at 7 p.m. (band plays at 7:30 to 12:30 a.m.) Jan. 13 featuring "Red & Ramblin' Country" and intermission entertainment by "Denim & Lace". Western hot dogs, Texas chili, BBQ chicken, imported and domestic beer, wine, mixed drink for purchase. Call 676-5236 or 374-0312 for tickets or information. Germania Club is located at 23156 King Road (between Dix & Telegraph).

UNICYCLE CLUB

--The Redford Township Unicycle Club, Inc. will be holding classes for persons of all ages who would like to learn to ride a unicycle. Classes will begin Jan. 13 at 10 a.m. at St. Paul's Evangelical Church on Farmington Road in Livonia. A limited number of unicycles are available. The cost of the 10-week session is \$20. Call (810) 661-0334 for more information.

WOLVERINE DOG TRAINING CLUB

--is a non-profit organization registered with the State of Michigan (#798258). The club offers classes for beginner obedience, as well as Puppy Headstart programs. Classes are scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday evenings starting in January. For more information call 476-8650.

GOLDEN HOUR CLUB

--in Wayne enjoys cards, travel, friends and fun. A pot luck luncheon/business meeting takes place 10:30 a.m. every Thursday for seniors 55 years old and older. For more information call the Wayne Senior Services Office at 721-7460.

SOMETIMES TRAVELLERS

offers travel to very unique places with old and new friends. All the details of the various excursions are taken care of by the Wayne Senior Services Office. For information on the next trips or to join Sometimes Travellers call 721-7460.

A CHILD NEEDS YOU

--Vista Maria is looking for responsible adults who can provide a teenage girl with a loving, nurturing home and assist her in growing successfully toward adulthood. The Vista Maria Specialized Foster Care Program offers a unique, innovative approach

to providing a family environment to teenage girls, ages 11-17. If you would like more information about becoming a foster parent in the Vista Maria Foster Care Program, please call Kim Garrett-Gorree at 271-3050, ext. 115.

YOUNG WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

--Starting Over is an ongoing support group sponsored by the Arbor Hospice for men and women approximately 45 and under who have lost their spouse or fiancée/fiancee to death. The group shares experiences and issues at all different stages in the grieving process. Meet others with similar experiences, and when ready, join in a wide variety of social activities, some including children. The group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Madison Heights at 7 p.m. For further information call the Arbor Hospice bereavement department at (313) 677-0500 or (800) 783-5764.

CHADD

--of Northwest Wayne County meets the first Thursday of each month at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 5 Mile Road, located two blocks east of the Farmington and 5 Mile Road intersection. CHADD is a non-profit, parent-based organization formed to better the lives of individuals with attention disorders and those who care for them. The meetings will be held at 7:30 p.m. and will be a rap and discussion group. Registration begins at 7:00 p.m. The CHADD information line is (810) 380-0847.

THE LEARNING DISABILITY ASSOCIATION

--has formed a new group in the area. Any persons with an interest in Attention Deficit Disorder or Learning Disabilities may have an interest in attending the meeting. For more information about the organizations or the next scheduled meeting call 941-4249 or 941-7330.

RED CROSS OFFERS PRE-MARITAL

--health counseling to help couples meet the state requirements for a marriage license. Michigan law mandates premarital counseling so that engaged couples learn about sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS prior to marriage. The hour-long session is taught by a Red Cross-certified instructor at service centers throughout the tri-county area. The \$12 fee benefits other Red Cross services in southeastern Michigan. For further information and to make reservations call (810) 967-0336.

THE CIVIC AIR PATROL SQUADRON

--at Willow Run Airport meets 6:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings. Membership is open to youths 13 to 18 years old and adults. For more information call 313-529-5732.

THE WINDBAGGER, AN OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP

--meets at St. Francis Cabrini Catholic Church, 9000 Wick in Allen Park. For more information call Mary - President - at 941-8388 or Helen at 388-2947.

FIRST STEP PROGRAM

--First Step is a non-profit social service agency specializing in domestic violence and sexual assault will be pro-

viding education, support and counseling services. The program is called "Children - The Forgotten Victims. Take A First Step For Your Child" is for children ages 6-18 years of age and is made possible through a special grant from United Way of Southeastern Michigan for Children and Youth in crisis. For more information call 453-9596. Help is also available for men, women and children affected by violence by calling the 24 hour helpline at (313) 459-5900.

WOOL GATHERERS KNITTING GUILD

--meets from 6:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. the third Thursday of every month at the Salvation Army Building, 9451 South Main Street in Plymouth. For more information call Mildred at 721-1853 or Jon at 471-5785. All knitters welcome including men knitters.

ALZHEIMER'S CARE-GIVERS

--a new support group for Alzheimer's caregivers will meet from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at St. John Neumann, 4480 Warren Road in Canton Township. All meetings are free and everyone is welcome. For more information please call Rosemarie Shim at 697-8051 or Anna Lilla at the Alzheimer's Association at 557-8277.

AEROBICS CLASSES

--for women, men and families are offered from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the YWCA of western Wayne County, 26279 Michigan Ave. in Inkster. Come as often as you like Mondays and Thursdays. Each session is \$2 for members and \$2.50 for non-members. To register or for more information call 561-4110.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON JAY-CEES

--will meet at 8 p.m. the fourth Thursday of every month at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For further information, phone 453-8407.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT GROUP

--for moms of all ages in the Belleville area. For more information, phone 697-4409.

SOUTHEAST SUBURBAN MOTHERS OF TWINS CLUB

--meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Monday of each month. Phone 942-9678.

THE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

--A support group for families will meet at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at Annapolis Hospital Westland Center in conference room A. Phone Peggy Morey at 562-2274 for further information.

LEADS CLUB, DEARBORN CHAPTER

--will meet at 7:30 a.m. each Thursday at the Marriott Residence Inn in Dearborn. The club offers business people an effective means to increase their business. Phone Ed Jarvis at 277-0300.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

--Members of the support group for overeaters meet at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday at St. John's Episcopal Church in Westland, every Monday at Growth Works, Inc. in Plymouth and every Thursday at Unity Church in Inkster. Phone 545-LIFE.

ALANON

--meets at 10 a.m. every Thursday at First United Methodist Church in Belleville. Meetings are closed to the general public. For information phone 461-6031.

BETHANY, WEST CHAPTER

--is a Catholic support group for the divorced and separated. The group plays wallyball in the Westland area on Fridays. Singles and their children 12 and older are welcome. There is a \$3 fee. Contact Dave at 453-0432 for more information.

AMBASSADOR JUNIOR CIVITANS

--will meet 7 p.m. at the Historical Meeting House located at 36993 Marquette the first and third Tuesday of each month. New members between the ages of 13 and 18 are sought for community service activities.

MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD)

Wayne County Chapter has a Victim Support Group for the victims and surviving family members/friends of drunk driving accidents. Meetings are scheduled at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at Gabriel Richard Campus Ministry Building, U of M Dearborn Campus, 3001 Evergreen Road in Dearborn. Call the MADD office at 422-MADD for more information.

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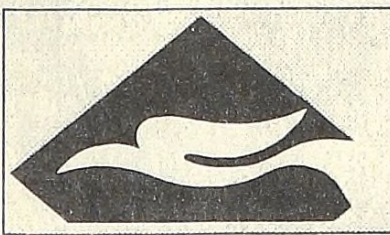
--is holding the first monthly Southeast Michigan Mensa meeting of 1996. P.J. Stafford, president of "The Internet Factory" in Birmingham, will talk about doing business on the internet. Socializing begins at 7 p.m. the talk starts around 8 p.m. Where: The Southfield Civic Center, Parks and Recreation Department building on Evergreen, south of I-696. Meetings are \$3 and open to the public. Contact Dan Burg for more information at (313) 874-1227 or Diane Harritt at (810) 373-8013.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S SINGLES GROUP

--located in Canton on Warren between Sheldon and Canton Center. For further information call Scott (313) 722-3654 or Marilyn at 591-9269. A Valentine's Day Dance is planned for Feb. 10 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. with food and refreshments, great music by James Dunn, BYOB, prizes. No jeans please. The cost is \$8. For further information call the above number.

SINGLETONS

--are looking for area residents interested in meeting their peers. All singles welcome ages 45 and up wishing further information regarding this national organization's activities, please write to U.S. Singletons, P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn, Mich. 48123. Jan. 14 Singleton's Social Dinner at Merriweather's at 2:00 p.m. 25481 Telegraph North of 10 Mile Road.



CHURCHES

HOLY GHOST REVIVAL SERVICES

--with Dr. Ezan Someah-Kwaw services every Sunday from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Inkster Recreation Complex, 2025 Middlebelt in Inkster. He currently resides in New Jersey originally from Ghana, West Africa. Dr. Kwaw feels called to relocate in Inkster to hold revival services. For more information call 728-7530 or 891-5218.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED CATHOLICS

--Bethany West Chapter is a non-profit Catho-

lic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced and separated Christians through peer ministry. For additional details or calendar events contact Kathy at 584-1158 or Laurie at 565-3529.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

--daily masses are 7 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:20 a.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Week-end liturgies are 4 p.m. Saturdays and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

--is having a traditional Latin Mass 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sundays. The church is located at 3521 Fourth Street in Wayne. For more information call 729-8228.

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Snow storms detour around the state

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

Snow storms last weekend paralyzed the East Coast and brought a nature-driven work stoppage to Washington, D.C. Residents of usually mild Southern coastal states were shocked by record snowfalls in what has been described by some as the "Storm of the Century."

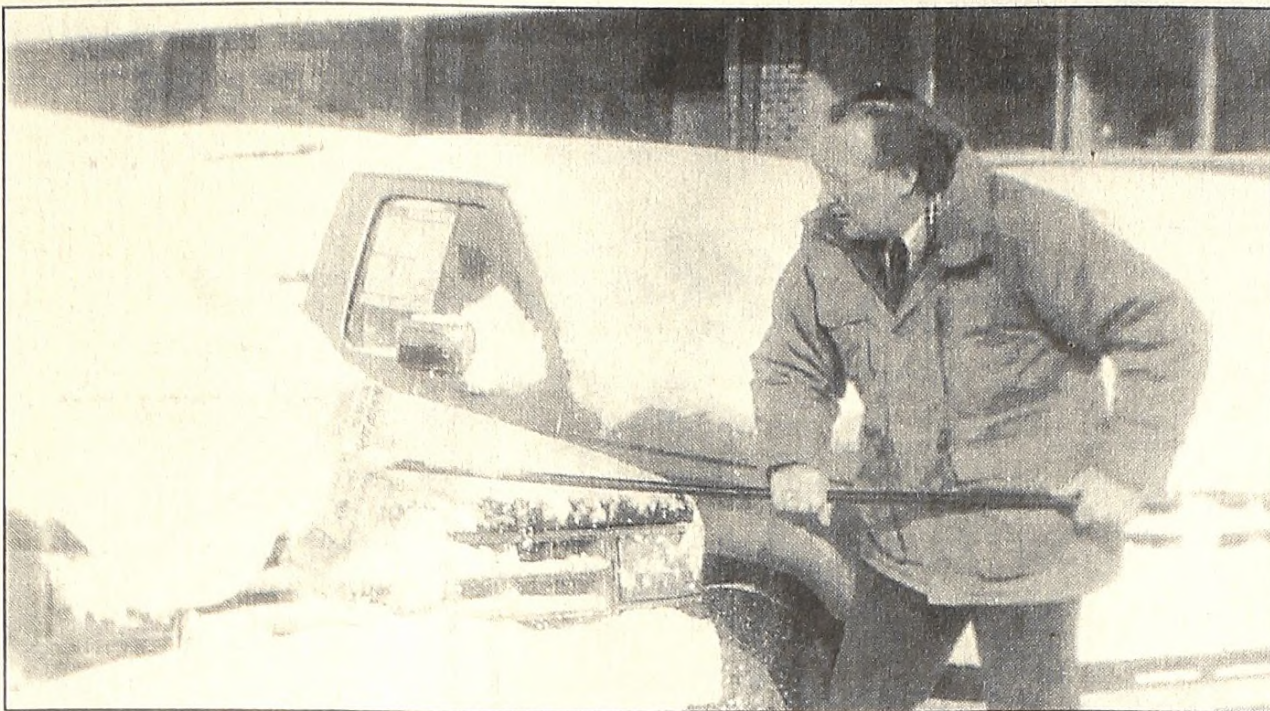
During the storm which brought traffic to a halt, closed schools, shops and businesses and downed power lines in several states, Southeastern Michigan residents gleefully sat in their warm homes watching the havoc on their television screens.

Not even the forecasters at the *Old Farmer's Almanac* expected such storms for the early portion of the winter of '96.

The prediction for the Middle Atlantic Coast was for temperatures two degrees above normal and precipitation two inches above normal during the first week of January. Forecasters said, "aside from a dry spell at mid-month, January will be wet with warm temperatures...closing with a cold snap" in the Piedmont and Southeast Coast area.

The storm-ravaged New York-New Jersey area, however, was warned by the *Almanac* to expect "a cold wave and snow storm the first week. Watch for an Alberta Clipper to bring cold and snow early in January and another cold wave early in February."

Upstate New York -- Syr-



More than an inch of snow poured onto Michigan streets Jan. 9 making roads slick and slippery. MCN Special Photo

acuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Scranton -- received a prediction of cold, followed by unusually mild weather in January. Temperatures were expected to be six degrees above average and precipitation one inch above average.

In its prediction for Chicago and the Southern Great Lakes region, the *Almanac* noted, "Cold and snowy weather the second week of January, followed by generally mild weather until late February."

For January, the *Almanac* predicted temperatures five degrees above average (wrong) and average precipitation (right). It predicted clearing and mild weather for Jan. 1.

through 3, followed by freezing rain on Jan. 4 to 6 and then cold and snow for our area on Jan. 7 to 11. The prediction for Jan. 12 to 16 is freezing drizzle, then clearing.

Other predictions note a cooler than normal spring with below-normal precipitation in the southern part of the area and normal precipitation in the northern part.

"April will be cold, particularly after mid-month, but end with a warm, rainy spell, while May will be extremely variable with frequent storms. Frequent hot spells are anticipated in June, with temperatures reaching 100 degrees near the end of the month."

"The summer will be warmer and drier than normal, with drought developing in much of the south and west of the Southern Great Lakes Region. July will begin hot and showery, then turn cool until closing with a hot spell that continues into early August. After a mid, showery period, watch for a dry heat wave from late August through the first week in "September, after which temperatures and precipitation will be closer to normal. Early fall will be mostly warm, sunny and dry," the *Almanac* concluded.

Editor's note: We'll be monitoring the Almanac's forecasts through the end of the year to gauge its accuracy.

Airport travelers stranded by storm

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The "Blizzard of 1996" may have extended the federal government shutdown and buried Eastcoast airports, but it has created a new year's bonanza for Romulus hotels.

With the new year less than a week old, scores of flights from Detroit Metro Airport for East coast locations were cancelled over the past weekend and further cancellations were expected Monday as the mountains of snow piled up along coastline cities.

The path of the blizzard followed the lines of some of the more notorious hurricanes in past years.

Michael Conway, Metro Airport spokesman, reported midday Monday that only 25 percent of the normal East coast flights took off from Metro by that time of the day.

Flights to Newark, Philadelphia and Washington closed down on Sunday, Conway said, and he expected JFK Airport in New York City and the Boston Airport to close as the heavy snows arrived there.

Most of the stranded travelers in Romulus made arrangements at local hotels, while others toughed it out at the airport hoping for a break in the blizzard conditions.

Like most ill winds, the blizzard did blow some businesses

a lot of good and in this particular case it appears the Romulus area hotels were the major beneficiaries.

Romulus travel merchants thanked Mother Nature for escaping major snowfalls once

again in the 1995-96 year. "But we realize our time will come," they added.

But in the meantime, they are perfectly willing to accept the profits from the storms impacting others.

Car jacking suspects arrested by police

Troopers from the Ypsilanti Post, assisted by deputies of the Washtenaw County Sheriff Department and a State Police tracking dog, arrested two suspects involved in a car jacking.

At approximately 10:45 p.m. Saturday, two male subjects

stole a 1995 Ford Windstar from the parking lot of the Dairy Mart Store, 1100 Share Street in Ypsilanti.

The victim was forced from the vehicle at gun point.

Both suspects were apprehended by troopers

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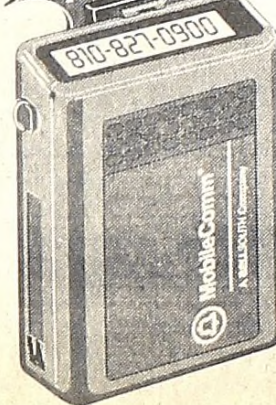
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On January 15th this country will take time out to honor the accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, King, a prolific speechmaker, will be remembered forever for his "I Have a Dream" speech delivered to 200,000 persons demonstrating for civil rights in Washington D.C. on August 28, 1963.



Mike's musings
Mike Wilcox

Twenty-three years later the impetus behind the speech is still relevant. African-Americans continue to struggle in an effort to reach equal status with Caucasians. The dream is still very much alive! Unfortunately it should no longer be a dream ... it should be reality!

What follows is the entire "I Have a Dream" speech. Take five minutes to read it. If you're like me you'll be moved by its contents:

Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand signed the Emancipation Proclamation. This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of captivity.

But one hundred years later, we must face the tragic fact that the Negro is still not free. One hundred years later, the life of the Negro is still sadly crippled by the manacles of segregation and the chains of discrimination. One hundred years later, the Negro lives on a lonely island of poverty in the midst of a vast ocean of material prosperity. One hundred years later, the Negro is still languishing in the corners of American society and finds himself an exile in his own land. So we have come here today to dramatize an appalling condition.

In a sense we have come to our nation's capital to cash a check. When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men would be guaranteed the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness ...

Instead of honoring this sacred obligation, America has given the Negro people a bad check which has come back marked "insufficient funds." But we refuse to believe that the bank of justice is bankrupt. We refuse to believe that there are insufficient funds in the great vaults of opportunity of this nation.

So we have come to cash this check - a check that will give us upon demand the riches of freedom and the security of justice. We have also come to this hallowed spot to remind America of the fierce urgency of now. This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism. Now is the time to rise from the dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice ...

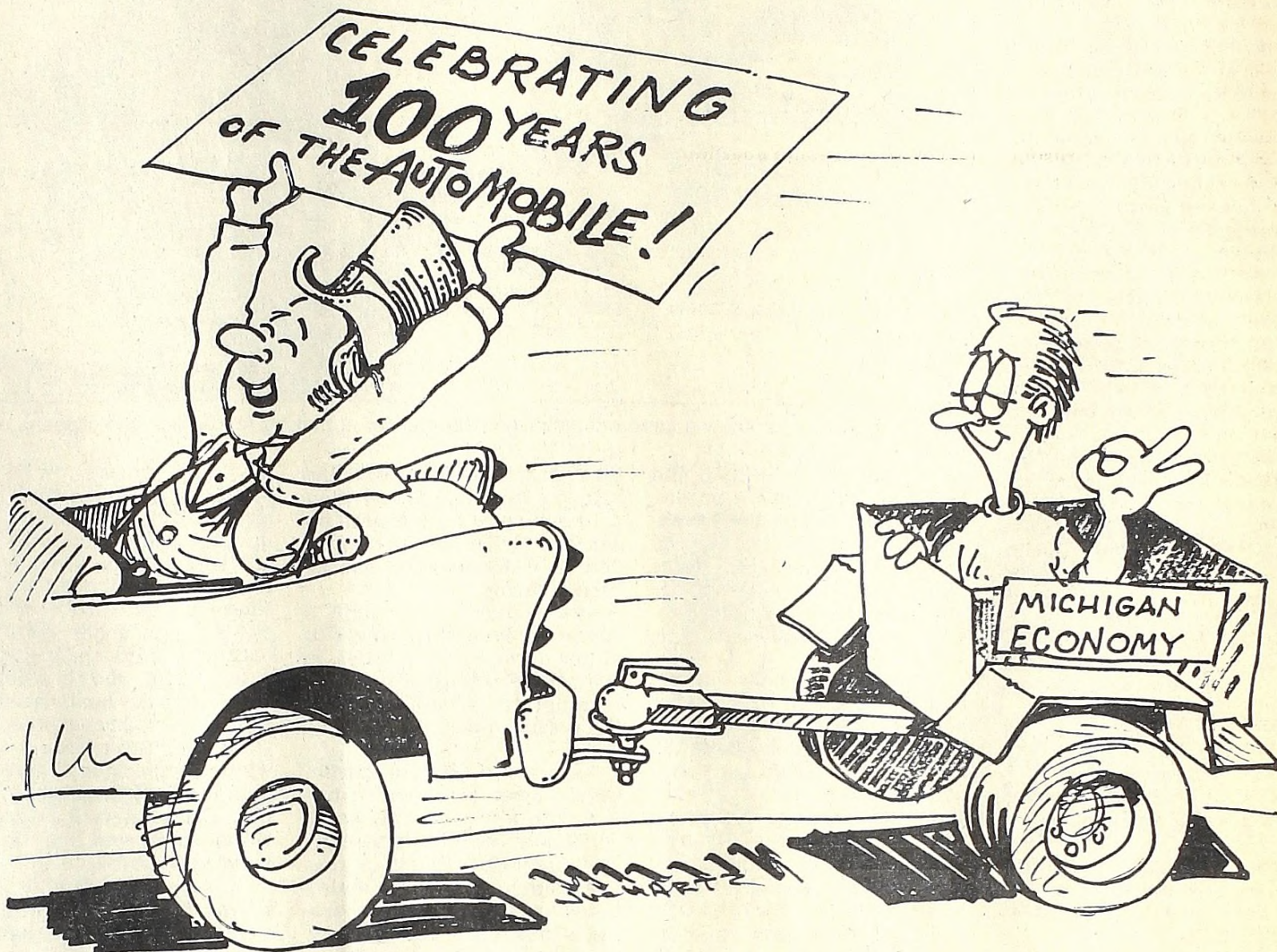
It would be fatal for the nation to overlook the urgency of the moment and to underestimate the determination of the Negro. This sweltering summer of the Negro's legitimate discontent will not pass until there is an invigorating autumn of freedom and equality ... There will be neither rest nor tranquility in America until the Negro is granted his citizenship rights. The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.

But there is something that I must say to my people who stand on the warm threshold which leads into the palace of justice. In the process of gaining our rightful place we must not be guilty of wrongful deeds. Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom by drinking from the cup of bitterness and hatred.

We must forever conduct our struggle on the high plane of dignity and discipline. We must not allow our creative protest to degenerate into physical violence. Again and again we must rise to the majestic heights of meeting physical force with soul force. The marvelous new militancy which has engulfed the Negro community must not lead us to distrust of all white people ... We cannot walk alone.

And as we walk, we must make the pledge that we shall march ahead. We cannot turn back. There are those who are asking the devotees of civil rights, "When will you be satisfied?" We can never be satisfied as long as our bodies, heavy with the fatigue of

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Thanks to 'Enterprise'

To the editor:

On Dec. 15 nearly 300 of our senior citizens attended our annual Christmas Party and enjoyed a catered meal, entertainment and gifts from Santa.

Your generous donation helped to make this possible. Thank you for your continued support of the senior citizens of our community.

Linda H. Combs
Senior Coordinator
September Days
Senior Center

Article disputed

To the editor:

I find it very disturbing that your Dec. 28 article "Complaints abound - Nursing homes come under fire for abuses to elderly patients" contained outright factual errors and presented a generally misleading view of the quality of care provided in Michigan's 451 nursing homes.

In the article, self-proclaimed client advocate Joan Schonfeld states that there are "usually only three to four nurse's aides to care for a couple hundred residents." This statement is blatantly untrue. State regulations require licensed nursing homes in Michigan to have

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one care-giver for every eight patients during mornings, one care giver for every 12 patients during afternoons, and no less than one care-giver for every 15 patients at night, when most residents are sleeping and thus require less assistance. This regulation is strictly enforced by the Department of Public Health and is willingly adhered to by the overwhelming majority of Michigan Nursing homes. Ms. Schonfeld's outrageously exaggerated statement could and should have been checked for accuracy against staffing ratio data maintained by the Michigan Department of Public Health (MDPH).

Secondly, the article gives an erroneous impression that massive scale backs of both state and federal nursing home regulations have recently occurred. The facts are as follows: 1) The congressional proposal that would have made alterations in federal nursing home regulations was vetoed by the president and, for now, OBRA regulations remain in place. 2) Even if OBRA had been eliminated, nearly all the standards it contains are already part of Michigan's state-level nursing home regulations and would in any case continue to be monitored and enforced by the Michigan Department of Public Health, and 3) It is simply untrue that the Michigan Department of Public Health recently relaxed its inspection criteria. MDPH recently clarified two definitions to help surveyors understand when homes should be cited for "widespread" violations versus "pattern" or "isolated" violations. The Criteria, and the process for monitoring compliance, have remained unchanged.

The fact is, nursing homes remain the single most regulated industry in the nation and Michigan surveyors continue to lead the nation in aggressively citing even the smallest violations - such as a fly found in a light fixture, a glass of milk that is a few degrees too warm, or a linen cart left unattended a few moments too long in a hallway.

To conclude, HCAM welcomes balanced and accurate reporting on issues related to nursing homes. Your readership deserves to be able to depend on you for truthful stories that represent all sides of an issue. HCAM stands ready to assist you in the future with obtaining accurate information for stories about Michigan long-term care providers.

Reginald Carter, Ph.D.
Executive vice president

Kids seek greeting cards

To the editor:

You helped me out several years ago. Can I count on you to help me again? As you know, I am interested in helping neglected and abused children located in a home near Las Vegas. They have a project which helps them earn a little pocket money. It's recycling used greeting cards.

Can you alert your readers to send the fronts of attractive greeting cards to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude's St., Boulder City, Nev. 89005? Donations of cards have dropped in the last several years, and I feel that a mention in your publication would once again get the word out about this worthwhile recycling program.

For additional information about St. Jude's Ranch for Children, your readers can write to the Rev. Herbert A. Ward Jr., SSC.

And if your readers would like to throw in a few bucks for the kids, I'm sure they'll love you for it. Thank you for any help you can give us.

Ed McMahon

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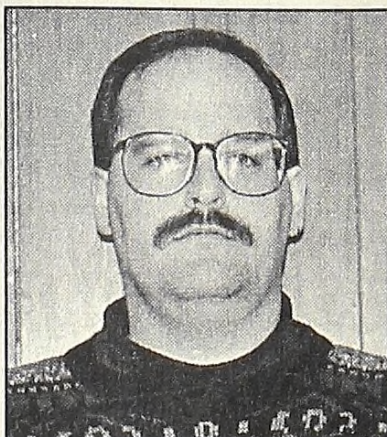
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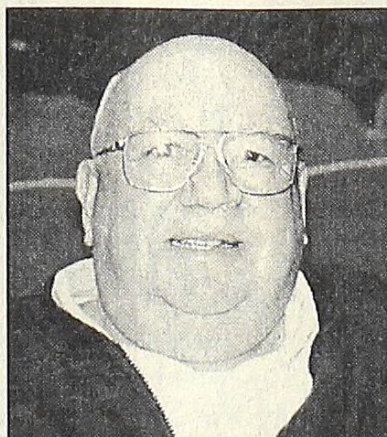
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Footnotes: What resolutions would you make for others?



Dr. Brian Loranger
Belleville

"Be a little kinder towards fellow humans."



George Hammond
Belleville

"There should be more fathers in the homes."



Ruth Bleeker
Belleville

"Return to more traditional values."



Steward Israel
Canton

"Think about your kids."

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Visitors thanked

To the editor:

I want to extend our appreciation to those residents of Romulus and Taylor who took the time to attend our open house on Dec. 28, 1995 to discuss Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc.'s (EDS) proposed plans regarding its site near Inkster and Wick roads.

Many questions arose regarding trucking routes, safety, injection conditions, the types of wastes to be accepted and environmental controls.

EDS assured those present that the liquids to be handled would not involve evacuations if a spill were to occur because the liquids were not flammable or explosive nor would any truck routes be near schools; injections over 30 years would only travel less than a quarter mile or so; and that all handling of liquids would be performed within a building.

Thank you again for your interest and concern.

Austin Marshall
Environmental Disposal Systems

should confirm that Gov. Engler is not counting all of the state revenue that was included in total state revenues as recently as two years ago.

Bill McMaster
Michigan Taxpayers United

Winner gets advice

To the editor:

My advice to the 69 year old retired man in Canton Twp. who won \$10.2 million in the Michigan Lotto and says "we love money," he should do like it says in the Bible, "sell all that you have and give to the poor."

I am not saying he shouldn't enjoy some of his winnings but he could help some poor families right here in metro Detroit.

This heartbreaking story was in Michigan Community Newspapers.

Her daughter died of cancer in 1991 leaving behind three children and a disabled husband.

Ruth Hughes brought her grandchildren to her home to care for them.

With food stamps and Social Security she manages to pay her bills but has nothing left over to buy clothing for the children.

She works as many hours as she can at a group home even though she has painful arthritis.

She says the love for her grandchildren is what keeps her going. She says "The only thing I am asking for is some clothing for my grandchildren to get them through the winter."

This man and his children would learn a valuable lesson from all this.

If he makes his children millionaires, as he says he wants to they should do likewise. "Sell all that you have and give to the poor."

Patsy Davis
Wayne

Sponsors thanked

To the editor:

Your sponsorship of one of our students in the School-To-Work Program has made this an outstanding experience for them. We have had a great number of enthusiastic comments regarding this activity

from staff, students and parents.

"Word of mouth" has rapidly spread throughout the school, and we have had a tremendous increase in interest for this "job-shadowing" program. We believe that this type of program is an invaluable addition to the educational experience of our young people.

Thank you again for sharing your community/business life with our students.

Paul Druker
Guidance Counselor
Belleville High School

Levin bill would erase reports

To the editor:

Far too often, federal employees are wasting time and tax dollars producing unnecessary reports which no longer serve any purpose. Each such report that an agency prepares for Congress saps resources that could be put to use more effectively elsewhere, and the cumulative impact can be significant.

The Department of Agriculture alone spent over \$40 million in taxpayer dollars in 1993 to write reports for Congress. The Department of Defense has estimated that it produced 600 reports last year to satisfy congressional requirements. While many of these reports are useful and needed, many are not.

As I reviewed the situation, I decided it was time to identify as many unnecessary reporting requirements as possible and eliminate them. These are reports only paper-shufflers could love, reports that sit in piles for weeks and are then discarded.

I introduced legislation to wipe out these unnecessary reports in 1994. This spring, my bill passed the Senate as an amendment to the Paperwork Reduction Act. Recently, it cleared the House of Representatives and it's now on its way to the White House to be signed into law by President Clinton.

The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that enactment of my bill will reduce the costs of federal agency reports by as much as \$10 million a year. Over 200 reports from federal agencies across the

government which are now required by law will be eliminated under my bill. In addition to the immediate action to dump unneeded reports, my bill includes a provision which would sunset most of the remaining congressionally mandated reports after four years unless they are reauthorized by Congress.

Carl Levin
Senator

Good service applauded

To the editor:

I am writing this letter to let you know about the excellent response I received from County Commissioner Bruce Patterson and Melissa McLaughlin in regards to getting the gang graffiti removed from the sound wall on I-275.

I called Mr. Patterson's office to ask for phone numbers of people I needed to call to get the county to take care of the clean-up. Melissa said that she and Mr. Patterson would take care of it and they were aware of the importance of removing graffiti as soon as possible. Within one week of my call, the county DPW removed all the graffiti from the sound wall, bridge overpass and under the bridge - a very complete job!

I would say that Canton's needs and concerns are being well represented on the county level. Thank you Mr. Patterson and Ms. McLaughlin for your help.

Brenda Plecha,
Canton

Please sign letters

We cannot publish letters without signatures.

Individuals who do not wish to be identified, may request that their names be withheld. We will comply with the requests, and publish the letter with the notation, "Name withheld by request."

However, letters which have no signatures cannot be published.

We also ask writers to limit their letters to a single topic and to be as brief and concise as possible.

Letters which are longer than 400 words may be edited so that space will be available to publish more letters to the editor.

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travel, cannot gain lodging in the motels of the highways and the hotels of the cities. We cannot be satisfied as long as the Negro's basic mobility is from a smaller ghetto to a larger one. We can never be satisfied as long as a Negro in Mississippi cannot vote and a Negro in New York believes he has nothing for which to vote. No, no, we are not satisfied, and we will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream.

I am not unmindful that some of you have come here out of great trials and tribulations. Some of you have come fresh from narrow cells. Some of you have come from areas where your quest for freedom left you battered by the storms of persecution and staggered by the winds of police brutality. You have been the veterans of creative suffering. Continue to work with the faith that unearned suffering is redemptive ...

I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal."

I have a dream that one on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at a table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a desert state, sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have dream today...

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exulted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together ...

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with a new meaning, "My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring ..."

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing inspirational words of the old Negro spiritual, "Free at last! free at last! thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"

Answers featured

Accompanying this edition, is an Answer Book section which features information about the six communities we serve, along with some historical information about the area. For example, one can learn

which of our six communities was identified as Moulin Rouge (Red Mill in French) during its early days.

A wealth of information about goods and services is provided in the booklet.

Revenue audit needed

To the editor:

New tax collections from Proposal "A" approved by statewide voters in 1994 made our State Treasury awash with new tax money. It's not from Michigan's booming economy. Total State Revenues increased 4 percent for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1994, but increased 20 percent for the year ended Sept. 30, 1995.

Michigan Taxpayers United today called on Gov. Engler to retain an independent certified public accounting (CPA) firm to audit State of Michigan books. Publicly held corporations in Michigan are required to produce audited annual reports for shareholders. Without explanation, Gov. Engler discontinued the annual outside audit of Total State Revenues before Proposal "A" was adopted.

An independent audit

Weekend snow predicted



Cloudy skies are forecast for today with highs in the 30s during the day and lows in the 20s at night.

A chance of snow exists for both Friday and Saturday, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration states, with highs in the 30s both days and lows in the teens on Friday night and 20s on Saturday night.

Thursday
High in 30s, low in 20s
Friday
Chance of snow
Friday

Ditto
Weatherman Al's tip: Weather conditions will remain slick and dangerous at different periods this week. The continual need for plenty of windshield washer liquid and anti-skid materials (such as kitty litter) remain a top priority.

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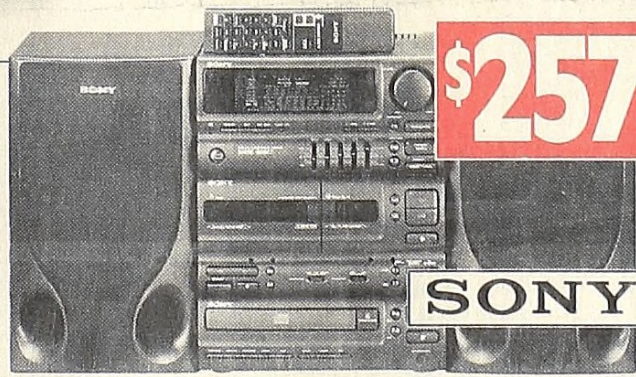


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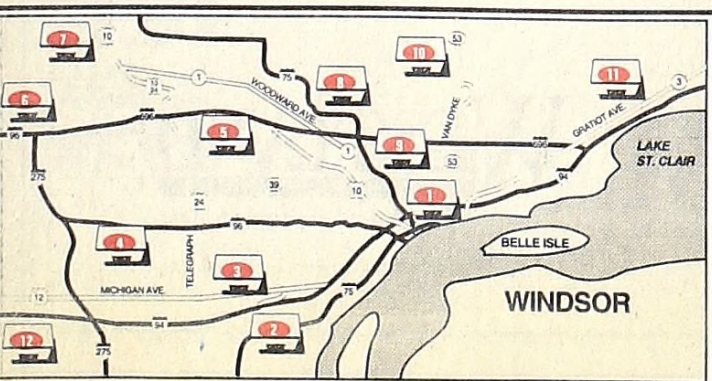
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Viking coach still looking for 1st win

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

The team is playing "as a team".
The defense is solid.
And the offense gets its share of baskets.
But, first-year Inkster High basketball coach Gus Thomas is still looking for his first win after five frustrating starts.
"We're knocking, but we can't walk in," said Thomas, after Rouge parlayed 16-10 and 19-17 first half leads into a close 51-48 victory over the Vikings Friday night.
On Tuesday, the Vikings lost at-the-buzzer to natural rival, Dearborn Heights Robichaud, 57-55.
"We held Rouge to 16 points for the final two periods and you'd think you would come out a winner when you do that. We didn't. And it hurts. These kids deserve better."
Inkster also wasted an outstanding individual performance from senior Haneef Sabree, who continued his torrid scoring streak. The 6-0 senior guard pumped in 19 points and grabbed a dozen rebounds in an unsuccessful effort to turn the tide.

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Smokin'

The Wayne Police Department and the Wayne Over 40 Hockey players team up on the ice to battle against the Livonia police to benefit the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program 6 p.m. Jan. 27 at the Wayne Community Center on Annapolis Road. (see story B-3)

Rocks crush Colts

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

It was a good way to start a new year.
And it was exceptionally gratifying for Plymouth-Salem coach Bob Brodie at the way the Rocks launched the year, a "good win" over Northville's Colts.
"We got a good team effort," said Brodie, after Plymouth-Salem dismantled Northville, 75-56, Friday night in the Western Lakes Conference opener for both teams.
"This is a victory we needed because we are young and nothing lifts the morale of a team than a victory where everyone contributes."
But the veteran of more than 20 coaching seasons warned that the Rocks have a long way to go.
"This team is improving, but there is a lot of room for improvement."
Balance scoring gave the Rocks the winning edge, according to Brodie.

With Andre Lopez leading the assault, Salem shot its way to a nine-point lead (21-12) after the first period, but experience, the lack of it, plagued Salem as the Rocks struggled throughout the rest of the opening half.
The Colts made a race of it as senior guard Mark Sanders scored seven of his game-high 28 points in the second quarter and the Rocks faced a 30-all tie as they headed into the locker room at half time.
Then, Mike Korduba, Phil Parker and Andy Power joined the scoring duel and before the third period ended, Salem again surfaced with the



Plymouth-Salem southpaw Andy Power (20) uses the base line to put up and in this two-pointer against Northville. Salem started the new year with an easy victory over their Western Lakes Conference rivals, winning a 75-56 decision that evened up the Rocks' overall record to 3-3 on the year. Salem and coach Bob Brodie plan to make it two straight in the conference Friday night when they visit Walled Lake Western. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

lead, this time by 10-points (56-46).

Salem maintained its advantage down the stretch as the Colts failed at a comeback. The victory also evened up Salem's overall record to 3-3 on the season.

Lopez's 16 points paced the winners. Korduba and Parker each contributed 11 points, and Power added 10 for the Rocks who managed

to salvage 15 of 37 at the free throw line after they missed all 12 of their charities in the second period.

Northville made seven of 17 free throws.

Salem had to contend with Brighton Tuesday night and will return to the conference circuit on Friday when Brodie and the Rocks travel to Walled Lake Western.

Leaving the home court for 1st time, Romulus hits the hoops trail

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

After enjoying the comforts and benefits of the home court for the first six games of the 1995-96 campaign, Romulus and coach Guy DeGiudice will hit the road for their next two games.

The Eagles will resume Mega Conference Red Division action Friday night at Woodhaven, a team that is an "unknown factor" this year for DeGiudice, he says.

"We played them a couple of years ago and they beat us," the Romulus coach said. "However, they don't appear to have the speed that they had in their past teams. I feel that we will be able to match up with them."

Romulus begins the week with a 4-2 overall record. They are coming off of an impressive 70-67 victory over Highland Park, a high-powered representative of the dissipating Suburban Athletic Conference. (The SAC will apparently disband after the current school year.)

Friday night, the Eagles were forced to play catchup as the Parkers opened up with their long-range artillery and were on target thanks to guards Marcel Willie and Otis Epps.

They don't appear to have the speed that they had in their past teams.

- Guy DeGiudice

The backcourt provided Highland Park 38 of their 67 points.

With Willis and Epps in control, Highland Park jumped to a 16-9 lead. They held on to a slim advantage most of the initial half and managed to surface in front of a 33-25 margin at the half, despite the heroics of Cliff Stewart, Sean Dick and Nick Locklear.

Dick and Locklear bagged a couple of treys to keep the game close before Stewart made his move.

Stewart sparked a second-half Romulus rally as he collected 17 of his game-high 24 points in the final half. Defying a Parker 2-3 zone, Stewart's burst to the basket for a layup in the

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'Ugly game' Robichaud coach happy with win

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Like *Beauty and the Beast*, there were some scary moments in the Robichaud - Ecorse thriller.

But the drama ended 'beautifully.'

That is, for Robichaud and coach Ron Tarrant.

Tarrant used the word "Ugly" to describe the performance. He said that there were too many turnovers. Too many mistakes. And it was far too physical.

But he'll take the 56-45 victory over Ecorse anyway.

"It was an ugly affair," said Tarrant. "Physically, both teams took a pounding. And the refs called each shot. It was sloppy and turnovers galore. The only beauty in it all is that we came out of it with the win."

Robichaud needed to turn the screws on defense to squeeze out the victory. They trailed most of the first half. The Bulldogs fell behind 13-11 after one and also were behind 25-17 at the intermission.

But Robichaud's incredible effort in the

The only beauty in it all is that we came out of it with the win.

- Ron Tarrant

third period where they held their visitors to three-points - a basket and free throw, while they tossed in 16 put them up 33-28 at the end of three periods.

In the fourth, Robichaud senior captain Brian Johnson collected seven of his 13 points to put the game on ice.

The victory tightened Robichaud's grip on second place in the Suburban Athletic Conference standings. The Bulldogs boast a 2-1 record in the SAC, second only to Willow Run, a winner in all three of its league starts. However, Robichaud is struggling to remain over the .500 mark this season. After their two "W"s last

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Wayne loses its 2nd OT decision at Adrian, 73-65

Belleville is next for Zebras

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

After the trail of tears left by Wayne in the state quarterfinals at Lansing Eastern a year ago when the Zebras lost in overtime to Kalamazoo Central, you'd think Wayne has a built-in immunity system ready to fight off OT jitters and fears.

Not so.

Apparently, the bug is still in the system. It has struck unmercifully twice this season, surfacing again at Adrian on Friday.

Burned not once. Not twice. But three times. And Wayne coach Chuck Henry is seeking a cure, especially after his team's latest encounter with the bug.

Wayne dropped its second OT decision of the campaign, leaving a trail of frustration after Adrian held on 73-65 in the extra period.

Earlier this season, Plymouth-Canton edged the highly-touted Wayne team in overtime and has gone on to win six straight.

"It's tough to lose in any sit-

uation," said Henry, "let alone in overtime. But you can't change what has happened. You can only effect the future and present. You use the experience to build on, to get ready for the next one."

And Wayne has two toughies coming up - Belleville, on Friday, and natural rival, Westland John Glenn, on Tuesday.

Wayne had an opportunity at Adrian to settle the issue in regulation time when Richard Johnson was fouled going to the basket with less than 10 seconds left. Johnson sank the first of two shots, tying the game at 62, but missed the second, sending the game into overtime.

Behind their two reliable guards, Derek McKelvey and

Josh Palmer, the Maples scored the first seven points in OT to clinch the victory.

It was close down to the final buzzer. The two teams were tied at 17 after one and Wayne, behind balanced scoring provided by Lorenzo Guess, Jameel Wooden and Roland Patterson, move to the front of a 35-32 count at half-time.

Adrian made up the three-point differential by outscoring their visitors 15-12. Each team put 13 points on the scoreboard in the final eight, forcing the game into the overtime.

Guess and Wooden led the Zebras with 16 points each and Patterson added 12 points.

Adrian got 19 points from

McKelvey and 16 from Palmer who also had a third guard, Sean Carlson also in double figures with 13. The Maples also looked good at the free throw line where they cashed in on 12 of their 16 chances as compared to a dismal five of 15 performance by the Zebras.

Wayne also had its problems from three-point range where they connected on only four of 17 shots. In contrast, they were near the 50 percent mark in two-point territory. They sank 24 of 41 attempts.

Although the loss was disappointing to Henry, who said the three nail-biters were frustrating but not devastating, Wayne has two more big games ahead of them.

On Friday, they will get a

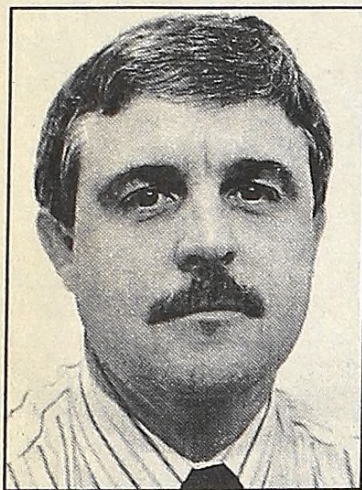
look at Belleville for the first time this year. Then, on Tuesday, they'll play Glenn for bragging rights in the Wayne-Westland School District.

Although Belleville is sporting a 2-4 record as the Tigers approach the week, Henry said that "that record is very deceiving."

"They have played some of the top teams in the state," Henry stressed. "If there is ever a deceptive record in these parts, it's Belleville's."

Belleville and Wayne are the defending Mega Conference, Red Division co-champs. However, Belleville lost its conference opener at Dearborn, while beating newcomer,

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Chuck Gordon

Glenn's Gordon to be installed in Hall of Fame

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

One of the most successful high school football coaches in the area and the state will be honored by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association.

Chuck Gordon, who has guided Westland John Glenn to a dozen Western Lakes divisional and conference football championships, will be installed in

the MHSFCA Hall of Fame in March.

Over the past quarter of a century, Gordon has produced some outstanding teams and individuals including former All-American prep Tony Boles who went on to star at the University of Michigan and play professional football until an injury ended his career.

Gordon was a member of Lloyd Carr's staff at John

Glenn. Carr joined Gary Moeller's staff at Eastern Michigan. Moeller and Carr went on to join Bo Schembechler's staff at the University of Michigan in 1980.

Carr was alleviated to the head coaching staff at the University of Michigan last year after Moeller lost the coveted title due to an altercation with employees of a Southfield restaurant and Southfield police.

Gordon has continued in

the Carr tradition, producing outstanding football talent and athletes.

One sign of a Gordon-coached athlete is that the athlete is disciplined.

You will never see any of Gordon's players show up for an interview with the media without a tie and suit coat on.

In personal appearance as on the field, Gordon demands a lot from each and every one of his players, his

contemporaries say.

Twenty-two nominees have been selected for induction into the MHSFCA Hall of Fame. The nominees will be honored on March 16 at the University of Michigan.

For ticket information, contact Ivan Muhlenkamp, Hall of Fame, 2627 Willa, St. Joseph, Mich. 449085.

Muhlenkamp may be contacted by telephone by dialing 616-983-4639.

Inkster heavyweight wins Lincoln Park mat title

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Inkster heavyweight Kevin Jackson proved he is one of the best in his class on Saturday as he walled off the mats at the Lincoln Park Wrestling Invitational with a gold medal.

Jackson, who tilts the scales at 275, stunned Chuck Sikora in the finals, 8-4, to win the gold and boost his personal record to 14-2 on the year.

"Kevin was exceptional," said Inkster coach Sam Ellis, whose Vikings finished 10th in a field of 16 teams. "He's working hard and the efforts are paying off."

Southgate Anderson, a power in the Mega Conference, Red Division, amassed 218 points to win the team championship. Wyandotte finished second, while Grosse Ile was third in the

field.

Inkster's 74 points gave the Vikings a 10th-place finish.

Inkster also had two other medalists, including a silver from Darwin Baker, who lost his bid for gold when he was pinned in 1:55 of the 152-pound bout by Aaron Green of Wyandotte.

Makimba Mimms was awarded a fourth-place medal after losing in the consolation round of the finals to Grosse Ile's Tadd Hall.

The Vikings took eight of the 13 weight classes in a 45-29 victory over out-of-conference rival, Clarenceville, last week.

Inkster got wins from: Lynwood Neal (112), Dejaun Chandler (125), Mimms (130), Keith Jackson (140), James Barney (145), Baker (152), Clarence Owens (160) and Kevin Jackson (heavyweight).

the backboards. He had 16 boards.

Ecorse received 13 points from Paul Carmona, whose team sank 16 of 34 at the free throw line.

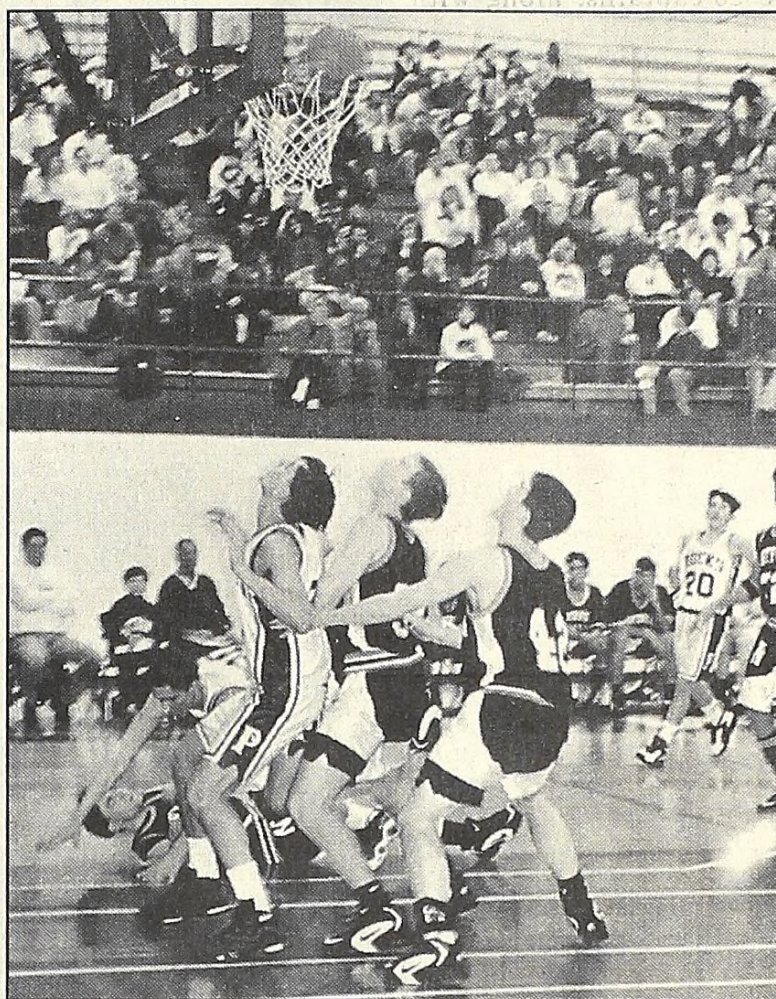
Robichaud cagers capitalized on 20 of 35 at the charity stripe.

Earlier in the week the Dearborn Heights cagers won a matinee performance from natural rival, Inkster, 57-55, as Johnson's layup with 22 seconds left broke the tie.

The score changed hands seven times in the final period before Pat Thomason tipped in a missed free throw that turned the tide for good.

Dick and Locklear joined Stewart in the double-figure scoring column. Dick chipped in with 14 points while Locklear added 13.

DelGiudice said the victory was a good one for his team.



Sinking fast

Sinking into the Plymouth-Salem net, this Northville basket by Mark Sander, (on the floor) was two of 28 points that the senior guard scored. However, Salem managed to overcome a 21-12 first-period and went on to win a 75-56 Western Lakes Conference opener on the home court Friday. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

Coach

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Rouge started strong, building up a 16-10 first period en route to a 35-27 lead at intermission. But with Sabree, along with Darrick Davidson and Phil Baldwin coming up with key baskets, the Vikings erased their earlier deficit and tied the game at 42.

Rouge won a cat-and-mouse fourth quarter, 9-5, to picked up their second Suburban Athletic Conference victory.

Davidson and Baldwin split 16 points between them and each had six rebounds. Inkster also received an outstanding game on defense from Vince Lee. The Vikings, who made nine of 12 at the free throw line to Rouge's seven of 10 also managed to keep pace on the boards.

Rouge held a slim 26-25 edge in rebounding.

Zebras

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Romulus. The Tigers enter the conflict sporting a 1-1 record, and can ill-afford another setback.

Wayne is 2-0 in the league, but the Zebras were scheduled to play Woodhaven Tuesday night. They are presently in the driver's seat.

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week, they are 4-3.

Johnson and teammate Jason Malloy, a 6-1 sophomore captain, were the only two to score in double figures for the winners. Malloy had a game-high 15 points and he also helped control

Fears

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closing seconds of the third period gave the Eagles a 47-45 lead as the quarter ended.

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Rocks fall to Northville, place sixth in gymnastics

By LORI GILLESPIE
MCN Staff Writer

Plymouth-Salem's gymnastics coach, Pam Yockey predicted that her team would not be victorious against Northville. She was still missing a few of her key gymnasts due to the winter vacation, and Northville is a tough team.

Northville won the meet, 139.75-135.75.

"They have a lot of strong competitors," Yockey said. "Northville will probably finish one, two or three in the state this year. Our girls looked really good out there, consid-

ering we were missing three of our all-arounders."

Early in the season, Yockey spoke about her team's lack of depth. Kristin Kosik was number one in vaulting, and the floor exercise. She also took third on the uneven parallel bars. Her teammate, Zoe Yockey finished number one in the uneven parallel bars, and in the all-around. She took second on the vault, the balance beam, and on the floor. Zoe Yockey and Kosik are co-captains, along with Danielle Puchalt and Brooke Kilby.

"The girls gave a good,

strong performance in the meet. The gym was cold, so it was hard to get a good workout," said Yockey. "My regulars really came through. They had to fill in the spots for my missing all-arounders. It was nice to have the opportunity to see what they can do."

At the Salem Invitational, the Rocks placed sixth out of 14 teams. Kosik took first on the vault (9.100), and Zoe Yockey tied for first on the beam (9.400). Of the top 12 teams in the state, eight were at Plymouth-Salem for the invitational.



Plymouth-Salem sophomore Ani Gray practices her floor routine. Gray scored 8.100 on the floor at the Salem Invitational last week-end. Salem coach, Pam Yockey said Gray is a fun gymnast to watch because she is so expressive. With spotting from Yockey, Salem's Janine Schmedding worked on her dismount from the balance beam. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

Winning team Tiger Swim Club starts fresh

By LORI GILLESPIE
MCN Staff Writer

In the last couple of years, interest in the Tiger Swim Club at Belleville High School has been declining. Susan Duda, head coach of the high school's girls swim team, said she believes that a problem with the coaching staff may be to blame.

This year, Duda, along with the boy's head coach, George Devore, would like to change this. "This will be a fresh start for the club," Duda said. "We have a lot of new things going."

A new coaching staff was the first change made. Duda and Devore will now share the duties. To get the club back in shape, the coaches are offering a week of free lessons, Jan. 15,

"We have a lot of new things going."
- Susan Duda

17, 22, 24 and 26. "The reason it's not a solid week, is because the boy's swim team has swim meets and I am their assistant coach," Duda said.

The Tiger Swim Club is broken into two groups, non-experienced and experienced. The first group swims from 6-7 p.m., the second from 7-8:30 p.m. The club is open for kids 7-18 years of age. Duda stressed that this is not an open swim. After the free week, the charge will be \$25

per month, and there will be on-site registration. Duda said their goal is to get the Belleville Tiger Swim Club back up to 100 swimmers.

The club also offers swim lessons for children under seven years. There are five kids per group, so there is more personalized instruction for each child. Starting Jan. 20, the lessons will take place 12-4 p.m., on Saturdays. The lessons are broken into five time periods. Beginners, 12-12:30, 12:45-1:15 and 3:30-4, and advanced beginners, 1:30-2:15 and 2:30-3:15. The charge is \$25 per six lessons.

The club swims at the Belleville High School pool. For more information, call 697-9494.

Wayne police battle Livonia

By MARGO DEWEY
MCN News Editor

The roughest, toughest hockey game of all time is headed to the Wayne Community Center where anything goes to benefit the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program.

The Wayne Police Department will face off against the Livonia Police Department 6 p.m. Jan. 27. This is being called a "revenge" match, according to Wayne Police Chief

John Colligan, because Wayne won against Livonia 4-3 last year.

"What we are going to do that is different this year is play one game in Wayne and one in Livonia," said Colligan. "The Over 40 Wayne Hockey players will assist in this game as well as Westland police and fire officials."

This game is not for the weak or timid players. There could be elbows cracking chins and sticks slapping arms. In fact, Colligan re-

ceived a few cuts and bruises himself in last year's game.

To increase their chances for a winning game, the Wayne police have recruited the outstanding hockey player Mito Iduante.

"Bill Brooks, the voice of the Wayne High Zebras, and Councilman Rick Powell will be the announcers for the game," said Colligan. "We are going to have a 50/50 drawing and many other activities going on."

Tickets are \$2 for adults and only \$1 for students.

Auto exhibit draws car enthusiasts

By RACHAEL LEWIS
MCN Staff Writer

As all Metro Detroiters know, the North American International Auto Show, currently at Cobo Hall, is the "best show in town."

Auto enthusiasts -- which accounts for most of the Motown population -- get the chance to see 1996 editions of their old favorites and to see the up and coming cars that will be at the dealerships next year and in the future.

There are many different reasons for the enthusiasts who come to the auto show. For some it is to look at all of the new technologies and get ideas for their own designs, for others it is to look and dream about owning these metal beauties that make Motown residents' hearts beat a little faster.

Not surprisingly, since the Detroit area is known for its connection with the Big 3 auto companies, the interest in this display of automotive flare is tremendous. People of all ages are partaking in the sights and sounds of the auto show.

Gloria Blaze of Royal Oak, found her favorite car -- the Chrysler Sebring JX, which she thought was "not too badly priced at \$19,995."

With the show being staged close to the Wayne State University campus, many college students were attracted to the show.

WSU seniors Bob Edwards and Sandra Speelman each found their favorite cars at the auto show.

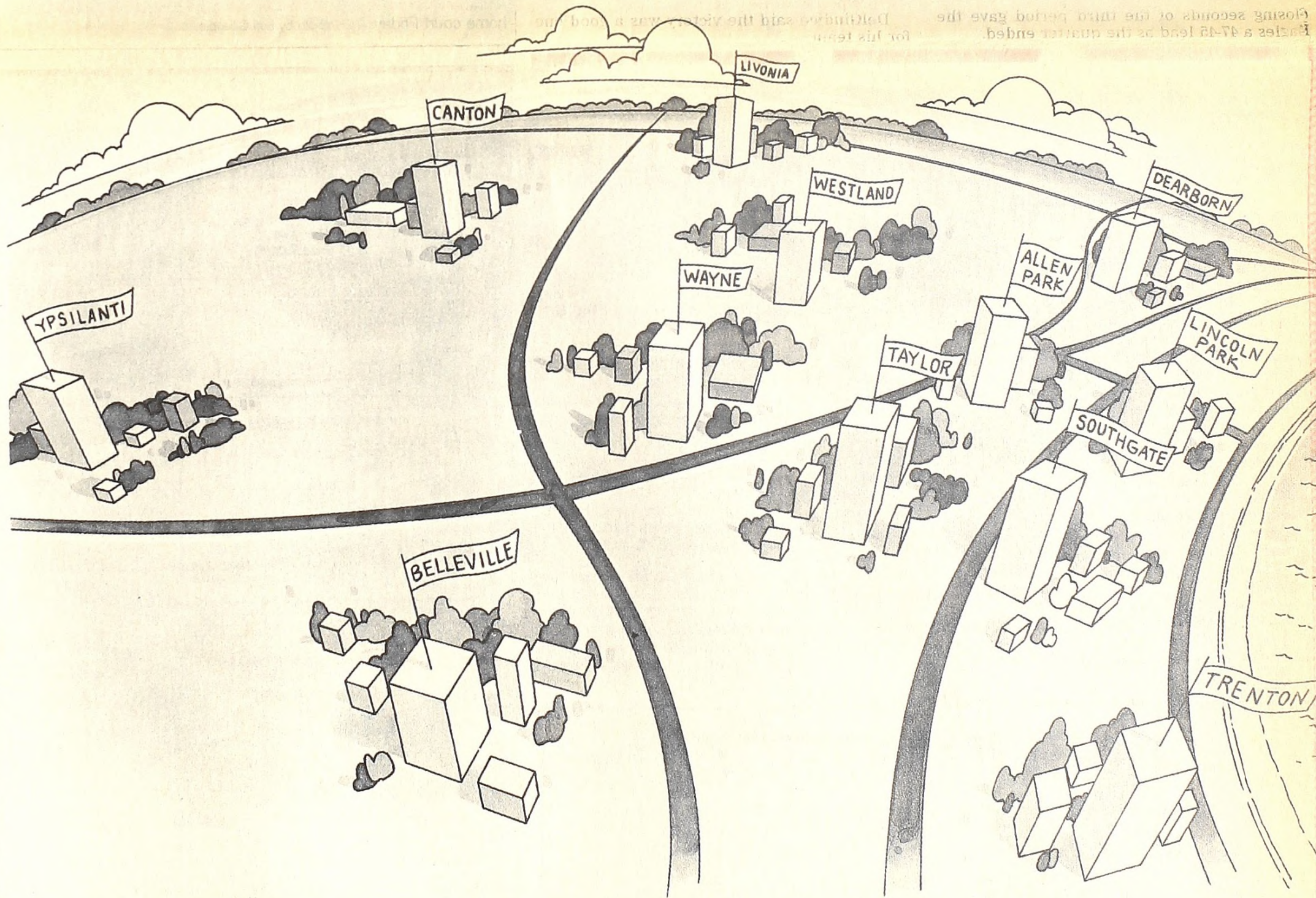
"Where else can you have a day of classes, but on your break go see an auto show but here in Detroit", said Edwards.

"Oh, wow! I love this car," was the only comment Edwards could say after laying eyes on a new Corvette.

"I really like the Plymouth Breeze," said Speelman.

The two vehicle displays viewed most by patrons, while on Monday afternoon were the new Chrysler Prowler, and the Jeep Rangler displays.

The favorite car to sit in, to dream about having on the open road was the Corvette.



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Chuck Gaidica (center) and Betsy Cushman (right) congratulate volunteers Beth and Larry Cameron (left) for their outstanding efforts as members of the Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center Guild. MCN Special Photo

Oakwood Guild Westland members receive honors

Beth and Larry Cameron of Westland, both members of the Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center Guild, were the only husband-wife team to be honored at this year's Thanks for Giving celebration.

This annual banquet honored 10 healthcare volunteers in metropolitan Detroit.

The event, which took place in Greektown's Atheneum Hotel, featured WDIV-TV Weatherman Chuck Gaidica as the keynote speaker and awards presenter.

Four of the Camerons' children traveled from throughout the state to join their parents for this special occasion: Jim from Novi, Larry from Kalamazoo, Gordy from Garden City and Barb from Howell. (Tom from Jackson could not attend).

Beth Cameron's sister, Peggy Mayhew of Dearborn, also joined the family for the celebration.

"We are very proud of them today," said Jim Cameron, the Cameron's oldest son. "Even though I know mom and dad's volunteering is a labor of love,

it is still nice to see them receive recognition and appreciation for their efforts.

"They have this history of always helping others. I wish I were as unselfish as they are."

In presenting their award, Gaidica lauded the Camerons for their dedication to Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center.

"Beth and Larry Cameron, otherwise known as the 'dynamic duo', are quite a team," he said. "For years, they have spent Thanksgiving day running the hospital's gift shop and catching up with their family later."

"They spend at least 150 hours a month volunteering for the hospital."

When the Camerons accepted their awards which were his-and-her gold, engraved watches, Beth expressed her enjoyment with volunteering.

"As for volunteering, I wouldn't do anything else," she said. "I love volunteering."

Larry Cameron joked, "She sure does, and she nailed me to help her."

Several well-wishers attended the event in support of the Camerons. Oakwood Guild members Bunny Hall, Aileen Kidder and Dorothy Sheelin, all past Thanks-for-Giving honorees, attended the luncheon to cheer on their Guild counterparts.

Helen Krynen, chair of the American Red Cross volunteers at Oakwood, Pat Labardee, current president of the Guild and Betsy Cushman, director of Volunteer Services, also attended.

Cushman chaired the long-range planning committee of the Thanks-for-Giving Steering Committee.

"Much of Beth and Larry's lives revolve around the needs of the Gift Shop, and their dedication and hard work help keep the shop running smoothly," said Cushman.

"They have remained dedicated to the Gift Shop in spite of daunting personal challenges in the past few months: Beth had major surgery and follow-up therapy, yet she only missed a few weeks and was back in record time."

Secretary of State no longer requires AET vehicle testing

Secretary of State Candice S. Miller is reminding motorists in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties purchasing or renewing license plates that their vehicles are no longer subject to auto exhaust testing (AET) requirements.

"Ending the AET program was among the highlights of my first year in office," said Miller. "For nearly 10 long years motorists in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties have been forced to comply with a program that, by the Environmental Protection Agency admission, was largely ineffective."

"Not only does the end of the AET eliminate a costly inconvenience, it also makes renewing and purchasing

license plates all the easier."

The AET law requiring annual testing of automotive exhaust officially expired Dec. 31, 1995. As of Jan. 1, 1996, no vehicles are subject to AET requirements regardless of when the vehicle registration expired or the vehicle's age.

According to Miller, the only requirement for purchasing or renewing license plates is proof of no-fault insurance on the titled vehicle and a payment for the required registration fees.

Miller noted that branch offices are expected to be busier than usual this week due to:

- Recent branch office closings for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

- Motorists who may have waited until this week to renew as a way of avoiding the AET requirement.

- Motorists who are purchasing Michigan's new Auto Centennial license plate.

The commemorative license plate went on sale today and is a fully-reflectORIZED graphic plate that features a red and blue design on an off-white background.

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Grants available to area charter schools

A federal grant program, designed to help them with the cost of starting a new school, will give state charter schools a boost.

The Michigan Partnership for New Education, an East Lansing-based nonprofit organization dedicated to education reform, will select as many as 20 charter schools in the state to receive a portion of a \$7509,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

Each subgrant will range from \$15,000 to \$25,000. In addition, up to three short-term loans between \$9,000 and \$15,000 will be given.

"The lack of start-up funding is one of the primary obstacles charter school developers face," said William Coats, the Partnership's president and chief executive officer. "This grant award is a major breakthrough for charter schools in Michigan."

In addition, the state sends

This grant award is a major breakthrough for charter schools in Michigan.

- William Coats

its per-pupil payment only after a school is open for six to eight weeks and can document enrollment. The expense of operating those first weeks without state aid can be a monumental obstacle to new charter schools. And unlike traditional public school districts, charter schools do not have taxing authority.

"Michigan is at the forefront of the charter school movement," said Coats. "This grant is evidence that we are being recognized for our commitment to charter schools, and to education reform in general."

Michigan was one of two states to receive the maximum

grant amount and only one of six states to receive any federal money. The grant was awarded to the state, and the Michigan Department of Education is working through the Partnership to administer the grant. The state Board of Education has designated the Partnership to provide the infrastructure for Michigan's charter schools.

The Partnership will take applications from interested charter developers through Feb. 1. Grants will be awarded in late March. Application packages are available through the Partnership by calling (517) 432-3165.

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OBITUARIES

Swan, Joseph

Joseph P. Swan, 79, of Westland, died Dec. 25, 1995 in Westland.

Born in Waltz, Mich. on Dec. 29, 1915, he was a retired Ford Motor Co. supervisor at the Livonia plant. He was a U.S. Air Corps veteran of World War II (serving from May 1942 until November 1945) and a member of the American Legion Post 416 in St. Helen.

Survivors include his wife, Ann A.; a daughter, Joanne (Thomas) Perry of Aurora, Ill.; a son, Richard (Gail) of Novi; a sister, Lottie Ostrowski; two brothers, Ed and Frank Swiontonowski; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home of Westland with the Rev. Father Michael Molnar of St. Theodore Catholic Church of Westland officiating. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park of Flat Rock.

The family recommends that memorials be sent as Mass offerings or to the Alzheimer's Association in Southfield.

Socia, Alice

Alice Socia, 86, of Milford Township, died Dec. 19, 1995 in Huron Valley Hospital of Milford.

Born in Detroit, she was a retired stenographer.

Survivors include a brother, Alvin Socia Sr. of Wayne; two nephews, Craig Socia of Canton and Alvin Socia Jr. of Livonia; two nieces, Jill Leighton of Garden City and Jan Jayson of Redford Township; and a great-nephew, Scott Socia of Redford Township.

Graveside services were conducted at Acacia Park Cemetery under the direction of the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home of Plymouth.

Kolar, Anna

Anna M. Kolar, 69, formerly of New Boston, died Dec. 22, 1995. She most recently resided in Morris Town, Tenn. Arrangments were completed by the David C. Brown Funeral Home.

Sutherland, Jamella

Jamella M. Sutherland, 82, of Belleville, died Dec. 25, 1995 at home.

Born on March 10, 1913 in Washington, Ind., she was the widow of William B. Sutherland.

Survivors include three daughters, Patricia A. (William) Thompson and Sandra K. (David) Fields, both of Belleville, and Shirley J. (Donald) Wilson of Plymouth; a sister, Alice Goodwin of Washington, Ind.; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She also was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Effie M. (Harnerd) Davis; four brothers and one sister.

The funeral was conducted at the David C. Brown Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry Rowland, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wayne, officiating. Interment was the Soop Cemetery of Van Buren Township.

The family recommends that memorials be sent to the First Baptist Church building fund.

Quantz, Elaine

Elaine J. Quantz, 43, of Westland, died Dec. 23, 1995 at home.

Born on Jan. 1, 1952, she is

survived by a son, Gregory; a daughter, Erin; her parents, Frank A. and Julia L. Katarzis; a brother, Frank L. Katarzis; and a sister, Christina Kujawski.

The funeral was conducted at the S.S. Simon and Jude Catholic Church with Father Jerry Bechard officiating. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Wilson, Eugene

Eugene Wilson Jr. of Romulus died Dec. 18, 1995.

Survivors include three children, Towana (Donald) Stafford, Eugene III and John; two brothers, Orvill and Donald; two sisters, Elsie Gordon and Mildred Green; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by three children, Edward, Russell and Cherie.

Local arrangements were conducted by the Lents Chapel of the Harry J. Will Funeral Home.

Hix, Warren

Warren E. Hix, 89, of Wayne, died Dec. 31, 1995 at the Westland Convalescent Center.

Born on May 19, 1906, he was a time keeper at the Ford Motor Co. and a lifelong resident of Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Hix; a daughter, Sandra Patton of Garden City; a brother, Kenneth; a grandson, Todd Markarian; a granddaughter, Cheri Hildebrandt; three great-granddaughters, Amanda Hildebrandt and Nicole and Stacy Markarian; and two great-grandsons, Kevin Lafferty Jr. and Jeremy Hildebrandt.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Fred Conley officiating. Interment was in the Cadillac Memorial Gardens West of Westland.

Greene, Agnes

Agnes Ruth Greene, 88, of Canton, died Dec. 10, 1995 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Born on March 8, 1907, she was a retired teacher-counselor in the Wayne-Westland School District.

Survivors include four sons, Bruce Greene of Canton, Blair Greene, Donald Wickham and David Wickham; 16 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl; and a son, Norman.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Jim Kilgore officiating.

Hull, Wilhelmine

Wilhelmine C. Hull, 96, of Wayne, died Dec. 13, 1995 at Annapolis Center in Oakwood Hospital of Wayne.

Born on April 14, 1899, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Doris Carpenter of Wayne; and a niece, Edna Carpenter.

She was predeceased by her husband, Walter; a daughter, Hazel; two sisters, Mary Weichel and Mathilda Tesch and several brothers.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West of Westland.

Bondie, Jerre

Jerre L. Bondie, 66, of Westland, died Jan. 1, 1996.

Born on Sept. 10, 1929, she was a para-professional in the Wayne-Westland School District.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth; a daughter, Nancy Dawn Ott; four sons, David Mark, Edward Allen, Robert Dean and James Phillip Youmans; two step-daughters, Deborah Maltby and Cheryl Edwards; a step-son, David Bondie; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. Interment was in United Memorial Gardens of Plymouth.

Lepper, Harlan

Harlan S. Lepper, 70, of Grayling, died Dec. 19, 1995 in Timberview Village of Frederic Township.

Born in Detroit on March 23, 1925, he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He was a retired dispatcher with a automobile transport business in Wayne. The family moved from Belleville to Grayling 16 years ago.

Mr. Lepper was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Chapter 3736 of Grayling and the Disabled American Veterans of Higgins Lake.

Survivors include his wife, Betty A.; four sons, Jimmy (Trudy) Lepper and Donald (Linda) Lepper, all of Belleville, Edward (Doris) Lepper of Ypsilanti and Harld D. Lepper of Mount Pleasant; two daughters, Delphine (Jim) Flat of Belleville and Shirley (Acey) Brown of Harrison; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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He was predeceased by his parents, Arthur and Flossie (Scratch) Lepper.

A memorial service was conducted at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel of Grayling with representatives of the VFW Chapter 3736 officiating. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the VFW Chapter 3736 Building Fund.

Leist, Howard

Howard V. Leist, 74, of Plymouth, died Dec. 27, 1995 in Providence Hospital in Southfield.

Born in Detroit on May 25, 1921, he was a retired Michigan Bell employee, having worked for the company for 40 years.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; a daughter, Nancy Ann (Gerald) Sandulowich of Livonia; two sons, Gregory F. (Maxine) of Oakland and David (Cynthia) Leist of Shelby Township; and four grandchildren, Jill and Brady Sandulowich and Bethany and Brandon Leist.

The funeral was conducted at St. Kenneth Catholic Church of Plymouth with the Rev. Mitchell Bednarski officiating. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery of Southfield. Arrangements were completed by the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home of Plymouth. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the church in the form of Mass offerings or to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

Johnson, Annie

Annie Grace Johnson, 56, died Oct. 14, 1995.

She was a member of the Mount Olive Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Quincy; three daughters, Robin,

Laura and Christ; a son, Quincy Jr.; and a host of family and friends.

The funeral was at the Penn Funeral Home and at the Mount Olive Baptist Church of Romulus, where the Rev. James Thompson officiated.

(Name)Habersham, Durcile

Durcile Habersham, 66, died Oct. 18, 1995. She received a masters certificate in cosmology and operated her own salon. She also taught classes at Milton Middle School.

Survivors include her husband, Leroy; five children, Ronnie, Bertha, Lillian, Patricia and Lisa; four step-children, Tommy, Ford, Clyde and William; and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral was conducted at the Penn Funeral Home and the Carlyle Church of Christ with Brother Robert Burke officiating.

Nelson, Betty

Betty Jean Nelson, 59, a retired chef at the Ramada Inn, died Oct. 30, 1995.

Survivors include six children, Jernell, Napoleon Jr., Debra, Devin, Josalyn and Bettina; 14 grandchildren; three sisters, two brothers, and a host of relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Napoleon.

The funeral was conducted at the Penn Funeral Home and the Romulus Community Baptist Church with the Rev. Hiram McBurroughs officiating.

Gates, Almond

Almond Clinton Gates, 81, of Gatlinburg, Tenn., died Dec. 18,

1995 at Baptist Hospital in East Tennessee.

He lived in the Detroit area for 42 years and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1931. Survivors include his wife, Louise of Gatlinburg; and his daughter, Gayle Gates of Lexington, Ken.

No funeral is planned. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be sent to the donor's choice of charities.

Arrangements were completed by the Atchley Funeral Home in Sevierville, Tenn.

Bledsoe, Pearl

M. Pearl Bledsoe of Wayne died Dec. 28, 1995.

Survivors include three children, Joan (Glen) Rushlow, John (Connie) Bledsoe and Joe (Pat) Bledsoe; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Lents Chapel of the Harry J. Will Funeral Home of Wayne.

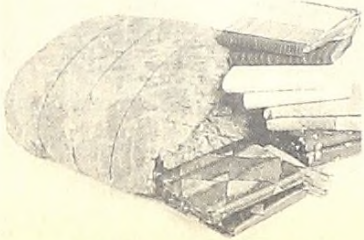
Stranyak, Joseph

Joseph J. Stranyak, 23, of Belleville, died Dec. 27, 1995 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center of Ann Arbor.

Born in Wayne on March 18, 1972, he is survived by his wife, Kellee (Schewe); a step-son, Keaton D. Cox of Belleville; his parents, Arnold J. and Joan Stranyak; and two sisters, Sheila M. of Belleville and April M. of New Boston.

The funeral was conducted at the Crane Funeral Home of Romulus with Father Alexander Wytrwal officiating. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park of Flat Rock.

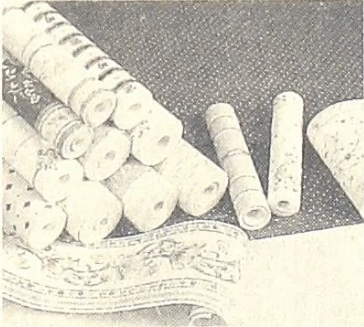
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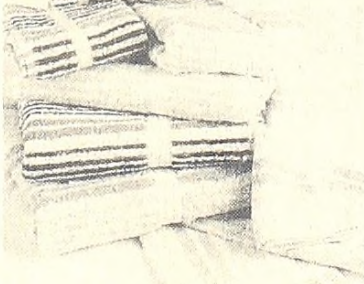
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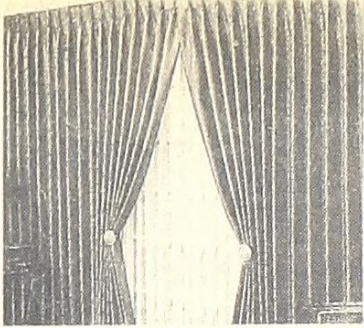
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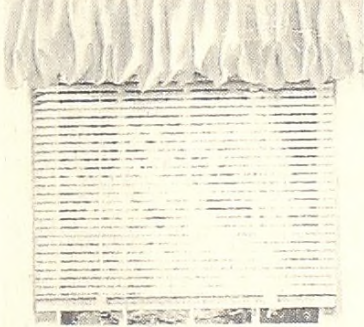
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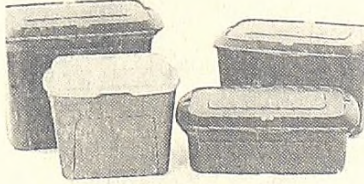


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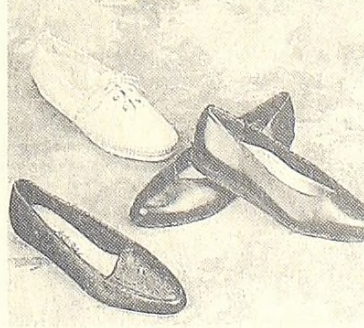


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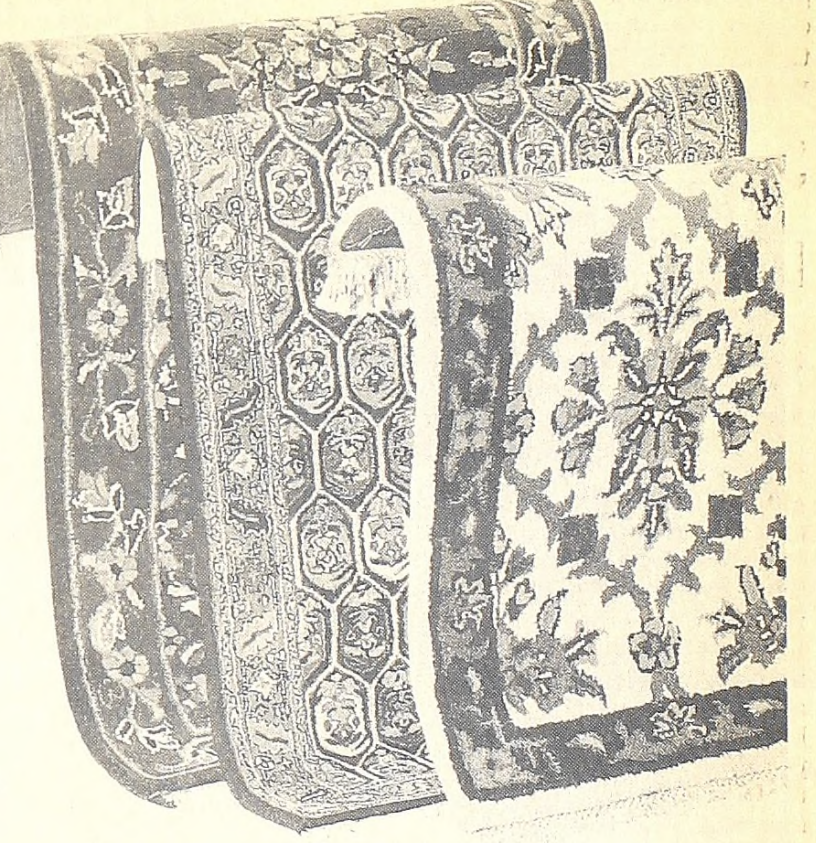
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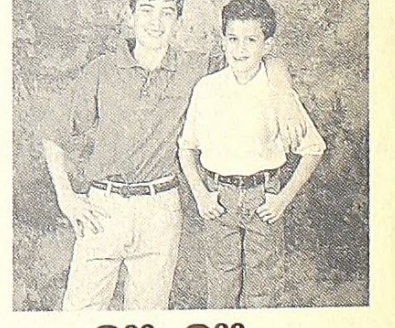
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Hilton, Pricilla

Pricilla E. Hilton, 37, of Wayne, died Dec. 26, 1995 at St. Mary Hospital.

Born on Feb. 3, 1958, she was a test car driver at L.D.W. Associates in Melvindale and was a member of the Belleville Church of God.

Survivors include her husband, Garry Lee Hilton; a daughter, Aaron Lee; a son, Adam Phillip Hilton; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley; her parents-in-law, Calvin and Verdine Hilton; four sisters, Chantilly Deschamps, Robin Helms, Mary Bresco and Paula Smith; and a brother, Paul Bradley Jr.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Richard Brennan officiating. Interment was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery of Livonia.

Seymour, Arthur

Arthur Seymour, 62, of Wayne, died Dec. 14, 1995 at Annapolis Center of Oakwood Hospital.

Born on Nov. 24, 1933, he was a maintenance employee.

Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Lawson and Pamela Allen; three sons, Stephen, William and Michael; two sisters, Polly LeFever and Elaine Hancock; six brothers, Ernest, Gerald, Edward, Charlie, Stan and Louie; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Barbara Ann.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with Father John Hall officiating. Interment was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery of Livonia.

Peters, George

George J. Peters, 74, of Wayne, died Dec. 13, 1995.

Born on Oct. 24, 1921, he was an assembler.

Survivors include his wife, Mary (LoKant); a son, George Jr.; two daughters, Mary Elizabeth Courtright and Jackie Griffith; two sisters, Louise and Anna Marie; a brother, Lee Roy; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Leonard Uhl; two sisters, Dorothy and Freda; and three brothers, Omar, Leslie and Maxford.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Warren officiating. Interment was in Parkview Cemetery of Livonia.

Craze, Donald

Donald H. Craze, 80, of Westland, died Dec. 28, 1995.

Born on Aug. 7, 1915, he was a retired assembler.

Survivors include four daughters, Nancy Bailey, Marilyn Schewe, Barberine Ruth and Jackie Blanchard; two sons, Charles and Bynt Craze; a sister, Sybil Martin of Lexington, Ken; two aunts, Pearl Rykman and Thelma Craze, both of San Diego, Cal.; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. C.G. Marion officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West of Westland.

Wellman, Roger

Roger E. Wellman, 58, of Monroe, died Dec. 18, 1995.

He was an employee of the Rawsonville Plant of the Ford Motor Co. and a member of the Free and Accepted Masons Lodge 27.

Survivors include his wife, Norma J. Wellman; two sons, Phillip E. and Douglas E. Wellman; a sister, Pearl L. Loveday; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Father Stephen Rooney officiating. Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery of Monroe. Arrangements were completed by the Rupp Funeral Home Inc. of Monroe.

The family recommends that memorials be sent to the Hospice of Monroe.

Berkaw, George

George Robinson Berkaw Jr., 87, first president of the Financial Analysts Society of Detroit, died Dec. 29, 1995 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital of Ann Arbor.

Mr. Berkaw of Plymouth was a long time leader among Detroit's financial community and an active participant in many professional, community, educational and religious organizations.

He was born in Colchester, Ontario, Canada on July 29, 1908 and graduated from Wayne State University in 1930 and received his Masters in Business Administration degree from Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration in 1932.

Mr. Berkaw served as a founding board member, past president and Finance Committee chairman of the Wayne State University Fund. He was cited with the alumni award by Wayne State in 1962.

He also served as past president of the Harvard Business School Club of Detroit.

OBITUARIES

Funeral Home of Plymouth.

Amos, Ella

Ella J. Amos, 65, of Westland, died Jan. 4, 1995 at Garden City Hospital.

Born on July 10, 1930, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Vernard; two sons, Vernard B. and Charles T.; a daughter, Trina Michelle Presal; three brothers, Charles, Robert and Kenneth Cahill; five sisters, Patty Kanaus, Marlene Bamburgh, Jackie Fisher, Jerry Hoff and Joyce Young; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry Bartlett officiating. Interment was in Mount Hope Memorial Gardens of Livonia.

Galambus, Peter

Peter Galambus Jr., 72, of Canton, died Dec. 29, 1995 at the University of Michigan Hospital in

Ann Arbor.

Born in Point Marion, Penn. on Oct. 23, 1923, he was a retired employee of the Evans Products Co., serving the firm for 20 years. He also was a World War II army veteran and a member of the Veterans of Foreign War Post 9973.

Survivors include two sons, Peter III (Valerie) of Westland and Thomas R. (Sandra) of Taylor; six sisters; and four grandchildren, Nichole, Nathan, Braden and Matthew.

The funeral was conducted at the Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home of Westland with the Rev. Rob Cook of the Tri-City Assembly of God Church of Canton. Interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery of Battle Creek.

Memorials are urged to be sent to the Galambus family fund.

Brannon, Rose

Rose Brannon, 63, died Nov. 7, 1995.

She was born in Honolulu, Hawaii and lived her childhood years on the island of Molokai.

Survivors include her six children, Deborah Locke, Reuben Diana Freeman, Joseph Freeman, Yoland, Frank and Freedeelyn Freeman, a host of relatives and friends, and her companion, Willie Thomas.

The funeral was conducted at the Penn Funeral Home.

Bonner, Joe

Joe Clem Bonner, 74, died Nov. 8, 1995. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, he later was employed by the Inkster School District for 36 years.

Survivors include three sons, Henry, Thomas and the Rev. Marvyn Bonner; three daughters, Betty, Shirley and Beverly; a sister, a brother, 22 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and a host of family and friends.

The arrangements were completed by the Penn Funeral Home with services being conducted at the Mount Calvary Apostolic Church with the Elder Willie T. Corley officiating.

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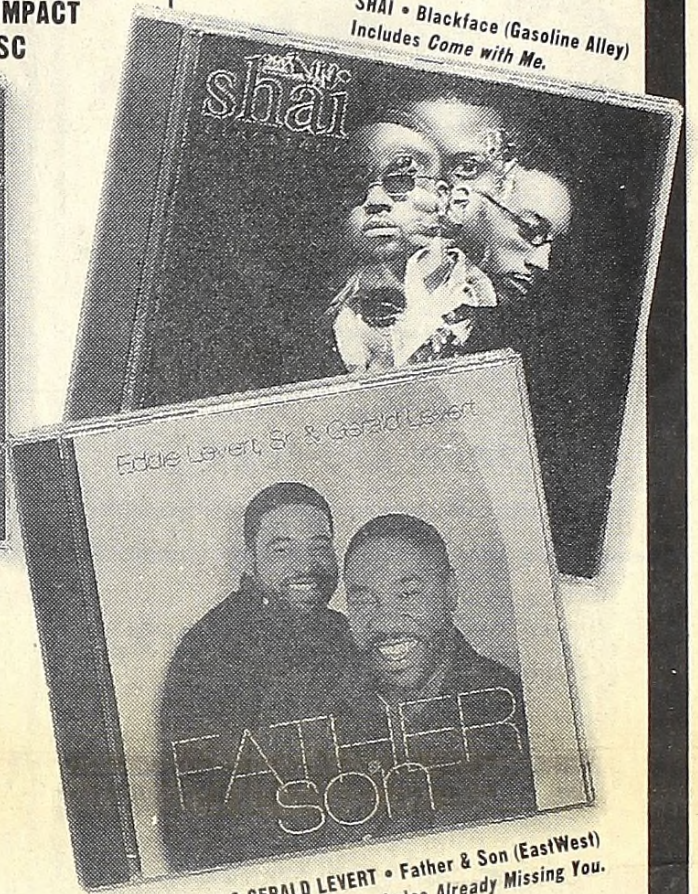
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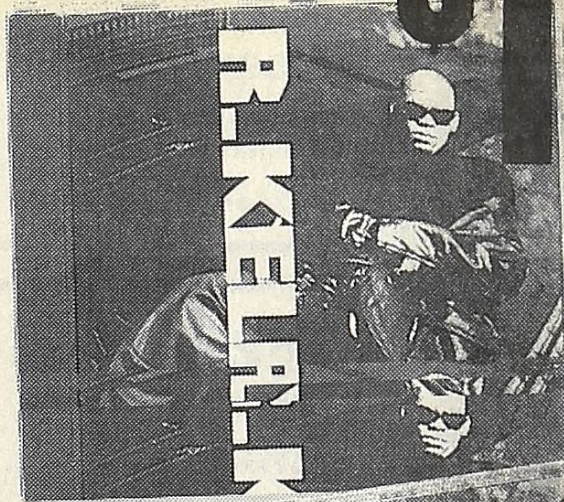
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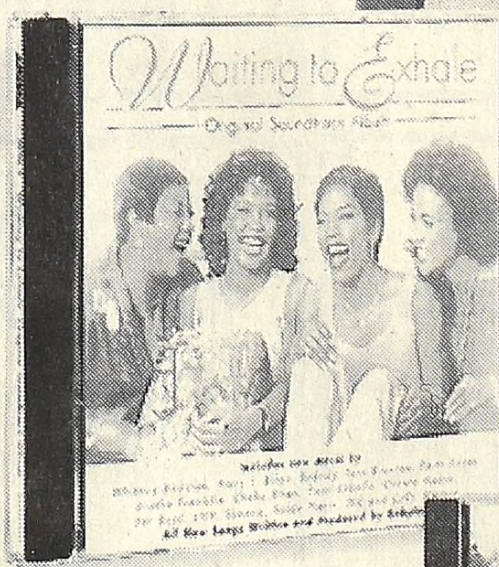
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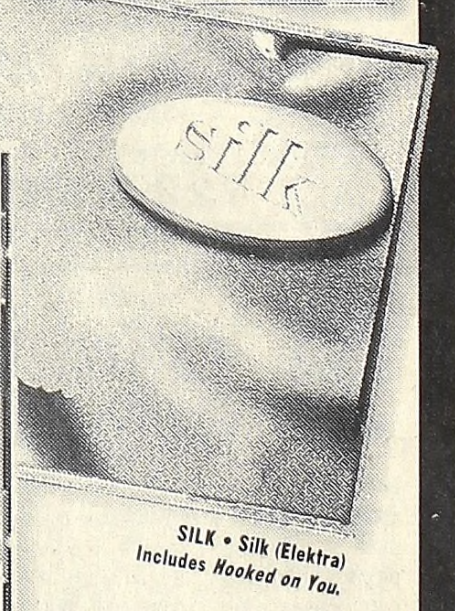
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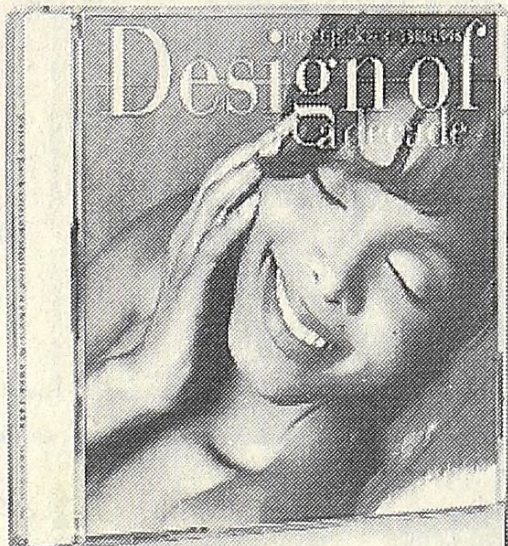
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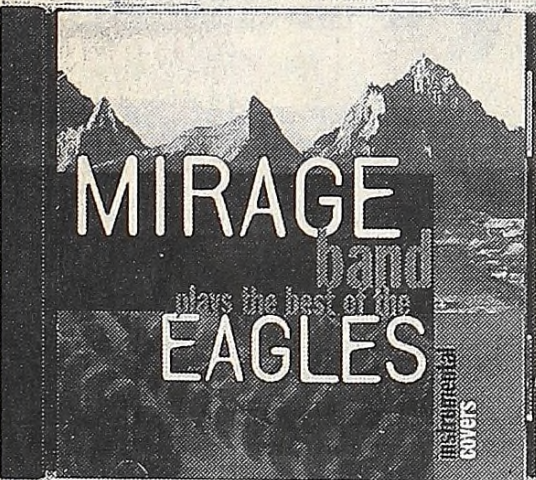


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'96 Entertainment Happenings

From live theatre productions to art exhibits, entertainment in Wayne and Oakland counties continues to expand to provide something for every member of the family.

The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Marcel Marceau and the Dance Theatre of Harlem all take center stage at the beautifully restored Music Hall in the spring.

Several family workshops are now available at the Detroit Institute of Arts for children and adults of all ages.

The following is a list of the many theatres, exhibitions and special presentations lined up for 1995-1996.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

• A treasure-trove of Venetian masterpieces, many never before seen in the U.S., will grace the galleries of the Detroit Institute of Arts as part of the exhibition "Treasures of Venice: Paintings from the Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest" which opens Feb. 18-May 12, 1996.

The exhibition has traveled to Atlanta, Seattle and Minneapolis. The Detroit Institute of Arts will be the last American venue to host the exhibition prior to its return to Budapest.

For exhibition times and ticket prices call the Detroit Institute of Arts at 313-833-7900.

• Brunch with Bach series at the Detroit Institute of Arts includes the following: Pauline Martin-Jan. 14; Marcus Belgrave Quartet-Feb. 11; Ensemble Ouabache-March 10; Ginka Ortega and Friends-April 14; Barry MacGregor and Raymond Ferguson-May 5; and Michigan Opera Theatre Singers-June 9.

Tickets for any of these performances can be purchased by calling 313-833-2323 between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and until 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

FISHER THEATRE

• Big-Feb. 13-March 10-at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Director Mike Ockrent teams with Tony Award choreographer Susan Stroman and music director Paul Gemignani to bring the heartwarming and amusing tale of the young boy who wishes to be big to the stage.

This will be the only engagement for the \$10 million production prior to its April 1996 Broadway opening at the Shubert Theatre in New York City. For tickets call 810-645-6666 or for show times call 313-872-1000.

FOX THEATRE

• Jesus Christ Superstar arrives at Detroit's Fox Theatre Jan. 16-21 starring Ted Neeley and Carl Anderson. Tickets range from \$22.50 to \$39.50.

Also headed to the Fox Theatre: K.D. Lang 8 p.m. Feb. 7; The Pointer Sisters in *Ain't Misbehavin'* 8 p.m. Feb. 13-16, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 17; and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Feb. 18; Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Music of the Night* Feb. 28-March 3; John Denver-March 13-17; Gladys Knight-April 4-7; Tanya Tucker-April 24-28; Engelbert Humperdinck-May 15-19; and John Tesh-June 14-16.

For tickets to any of the Fox Theatre shows call 810-433-1515.

• Joe Louis Arena
• Campbell's Soups 1996 Tour of World Figure Skating Champions presents the world's top skaters 8 p.m. May 4.



Ted Wakar, of Canton, displays one of his many ice creations, a grand piano. He was inspired to carve the piano from his daughter, who is taking piano lessons. Wakar likes carving structural figures, but also likes carving animals. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Frozen masterpieces Canton chef, sculptor turns ice into art at exhibit

By HEATHER NEEDHAM
MCN Staff Writer

While some people just want to curl up by a fire when the weather turns frigid, ice carvers thrive on the chill, using it to create art out of massive chunks of ice, inspiring awe from onlookers.

Ted Wakar of Canton turns ice carving both into an art and a sport, competing in such unlikely places as Florida and familiar spots such as Plymouth and Frankenmuth.

Wakar, a chef who works at the Ford Motor Company World Headquarters building has been carving ice blocks for 16 years. He first learned to carve from a culinary instructor in Livonia, during a vocational education course. He has artistic training from high school and college courses, enhancing his carved images. However, one needs more than artistic training to be a skilled ice sculptor, he said.

"The thing that keeps us ice carvers involved is a desire to do it," he said. Ice carvers have to work in polar conditions, and work with blocks of ice which weigh more than 400 pounds.

Keeping one eye on the prize is another motivator. Wakar said his honeymoon in 1986 was funded from winning a trip in the Plymouth ice show. He and his new wife traveled to London.

What does culinary arts have to do with ice carving? Wakar said, "Most chefs are artists in their own respects." Pastry chefs make artistic wedding cakes, and other chefs create art out of appetizers and other edible treats.

Wakar has been carving ice for 16 years, and has traveled to various places, domestic and foreign. He has carved in Japan, Fairbanks, Alaska; Bamff, Alberta; Ottawa, Ontario; and U.S. places such as Ohio, Chicago and even toasty

Florida.

Wakar, along with brother-in-law Jim Bur, of Eastpointe, recently competed in a two-person ice carving competition in central Florida. Their team was called "Frozen Images."

Bur and Wakar competed against other two-person teams in this event, which was sponsored by the Coca Cola Fountain and organized by the Central Florida chapter of the American Culinary Association. Their winning sculpture, "Three Art Deco Dancers," was sculpted from three 350-pound blocks of ice within the span of three hours.

For their effort, team Frozen Images earned the right to represent the U.S. in the World Ice Sculptors Competition in Asahikawa, Japan in February, 1996. This premiere ice sculpting event will feature 44 of the best teams from around the world.



Jim Bur, Ted Wakar and J.R. Lorentz display ice carvings which they are preparing for a late January ice show in Frankenmuth. Wakar and Bur are carving as a team, "Frozen Images" in the ice show, which began Jan. 10. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



Whitney Houston and Angela Bassett star in *Waiting to Exhale*. Robin Williams displays his unique talent in *Jumanji*. MCN Special Photo

Audiences learn to exhale, and survive the wild jungle

By MARGO DEWEY
MCN News Editor

I finally managed to "exhale" last weekend after seeing two box office hits that were both entertaining and unique.

Waiting to Exhale stars Whitney Houston and Angela Bassett. The flick is about four best friends who help each other through difficult relationships with men.

What I enjoyed about the movie was the closeness of the

friends and the superb acting of Bassett. The last time I saw Bassett was in the Tina Turner story, and her performance in that was riveting.

Houston wasn't bad, but I preferred her character role in *The Bodyguard*.

The music is also entertaining in this flick. Overall, I give *Exhale* three popcorn boxes out of five and warn viewers not to expect too much when they line up to "exhale."

As you enter the world of *Jumanji*, I have only one thing

to say...beware.

This very unique film mesmerizes audiences with outstanding special effects from rhinos bolting through a library wall to a monsoon created in a living room.

The flick stars Robin Williams who portrays a character that is trapped in a jungle board game for 26 years-Jumanji.

This flick has something for the whole family to enjoy. I give this movie the highest rating of five popcorn boxes.

Book shows dolphins' emotional feelings

By HEATHER NEEDHAM
MCN Staff Writer

Dolphins are more than just the clever creatures who jump through hoops and do other tricks for humans in amusement parks, they are calculating, emotional, intelligent animals, who have a wealth of attributes in common with humans, and many differences.

The *Dolphin Chronicles*, by scientist Carol Howard outlines many of the lesser known characteristics of dolphins, the seafaring mammals who have captured the hearts of many.

The book centers around the capture, study and release of two wild male dolphins, Echo and Misha. Author Howard was involved in every aspect of the project, from the capture, study, release and follow-up study in the wild waters of Tampa Bay in Florida.

Howard likens the dolphins to humans in many ways, including the boisterousness of teens.

"We wanted to find a group of sub-adults. Bottlenose dolphins, at least in (the Tampa Bay area) tend to form their own brand of youth gangs—not exactly violent, though they can get pretty rowdy. Once the calves are old enough to leave

their mothers, usually around three to five years of age, they tend to hang out with a bunch of other kids about their own age. These youngsters engage in a lot of rough-and-tumble play, including a great deal of sexual activity," Howard wrote on page 21.

The team decided on two young male dolphins, whom they named Echo and Misha. They captured the dolphins in Tampa Bay and transported them to the Long Marine Laboratory in Santa Cruz, Calif.

Howard also examines the communication, emotions and minds of the two dolphins, concluding that though they communicate via echolocation, they do not have "language." They echolocate by bouncing sounds they make off various objects and animals under the water. Upon swimming in tank with the dolphins, Howard learned what it felt like to be a dolphin—feeling the echolocation.

Howard also showed that dolphins have emotions, occasionally getting moody, stubborn, or angry, just like humans. In one training session, she told Echo to retrieve a certain object, and he retrieved every object but the one she wanted.

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By JUSTIN WILCOX
MCN Automotive Writer

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The GMC Jimmy is the 90s answer to playing in the mud while still being socially responsible.

In 1995 General Motors redesigned the Jimmy to replace a product that had been essentially the same for the past 11 years.

The Jimmy is a real stump puller with a standard 200 horsepower, 4.3-liter V6 with central port fuel injection.

The long list of standard equipment includes: four-wheel-anti-lock brakes, side-door guard beams, a driver's side airbag, air conditioning,

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For those serious about getting dirty, General Motors offers five different suspension packages ranging from a stiff off-road setup to one used exclusively for nights out on the town, depending on your intended use.

The newly sculptured interior is a result of one thing, competition. Ford's Explorer forced General Motors to re-think what a sport utility vehicle should be. As a result the Jimmy receives an interior makeover that can only be described as car-like.

The dash and its controls are sculpted in a manner that is pleasing to the eye, as well as to the touch.

The new dash provides excellent location of all essential stitches and gauges. Not to mention that I can actually change the radio station while driving, no small feat considering my short stature and

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The Jimmy's seat heights are nearly an inch lower than the Explorer's making ingress and egress a much easier task.

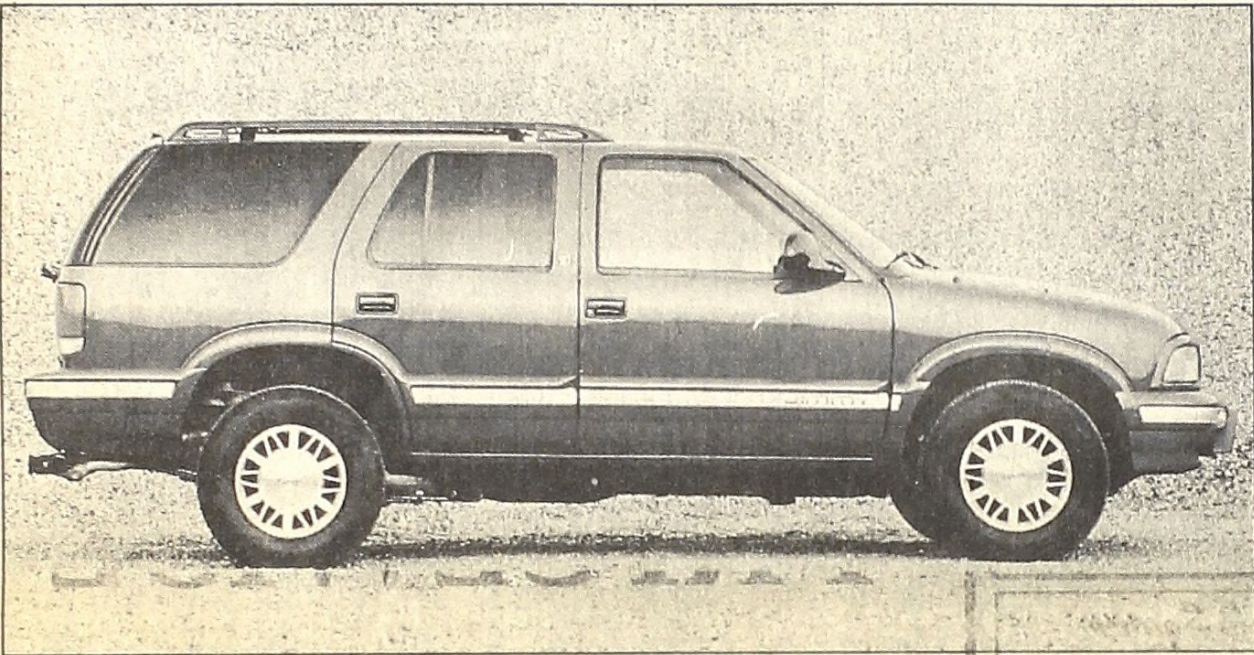
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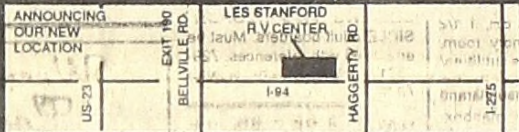
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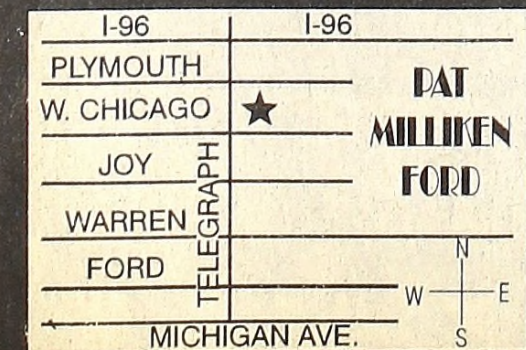
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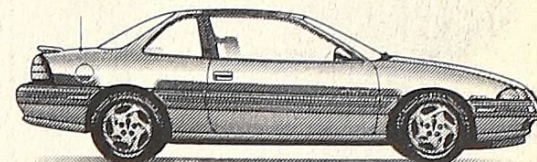
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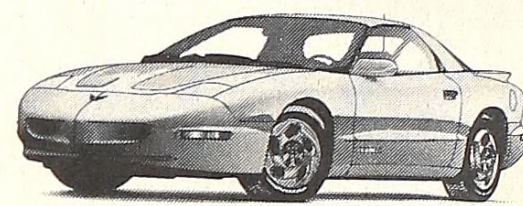
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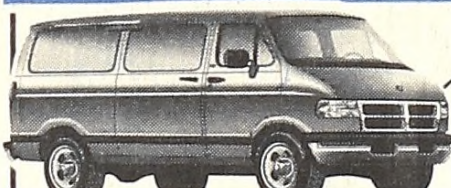
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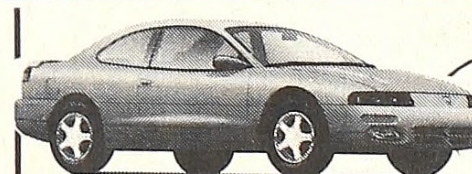
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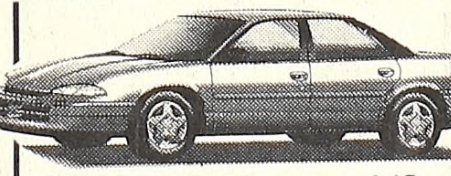
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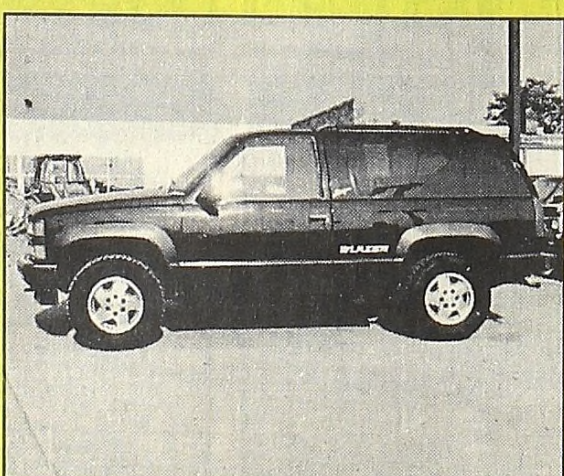
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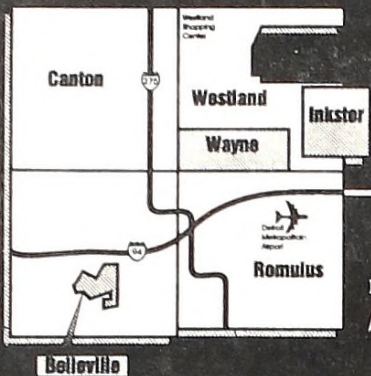
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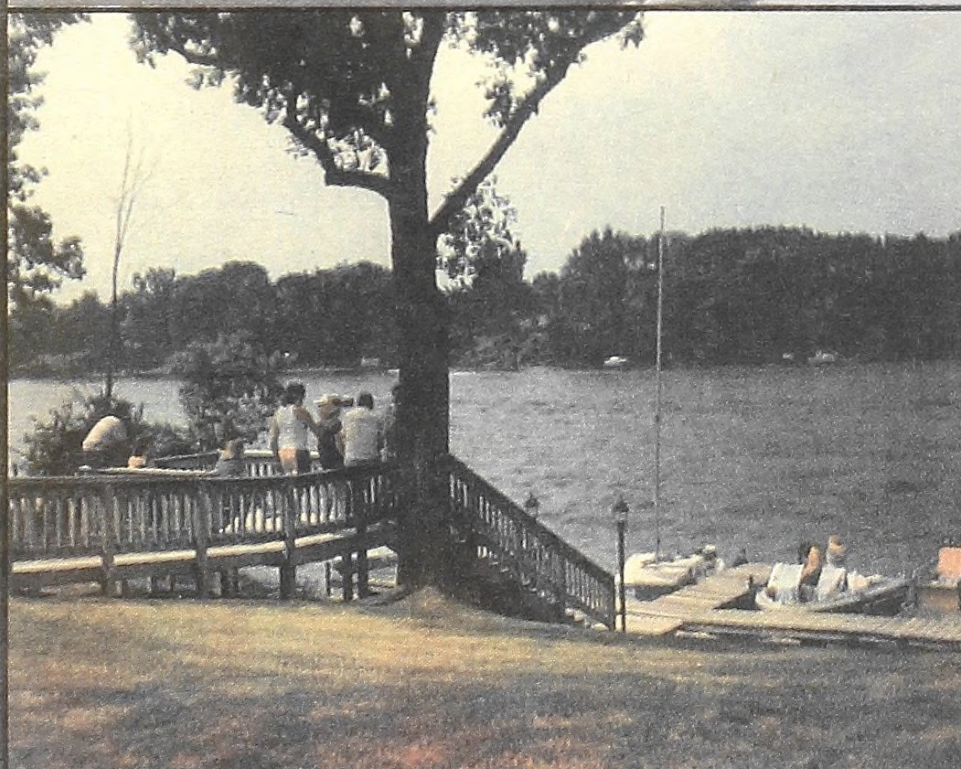
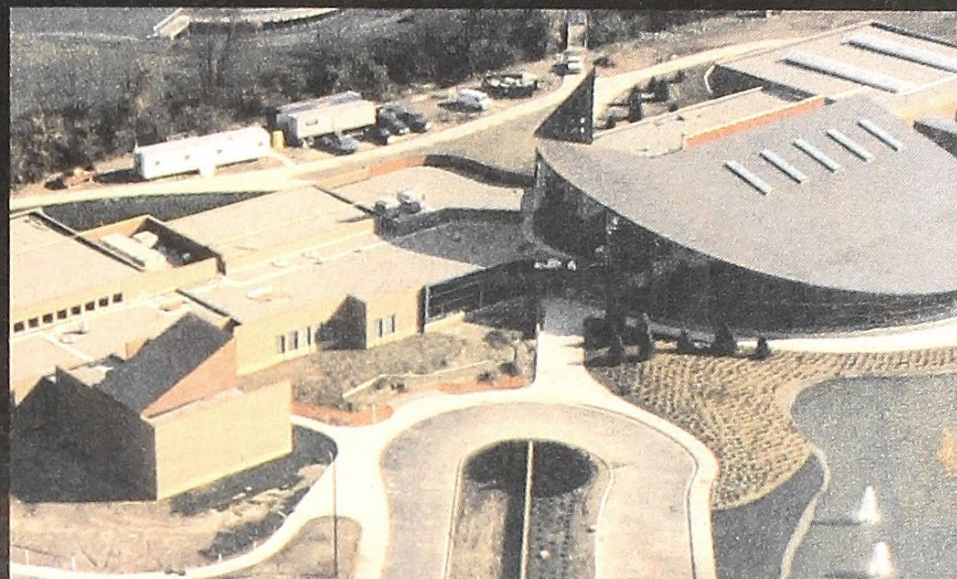
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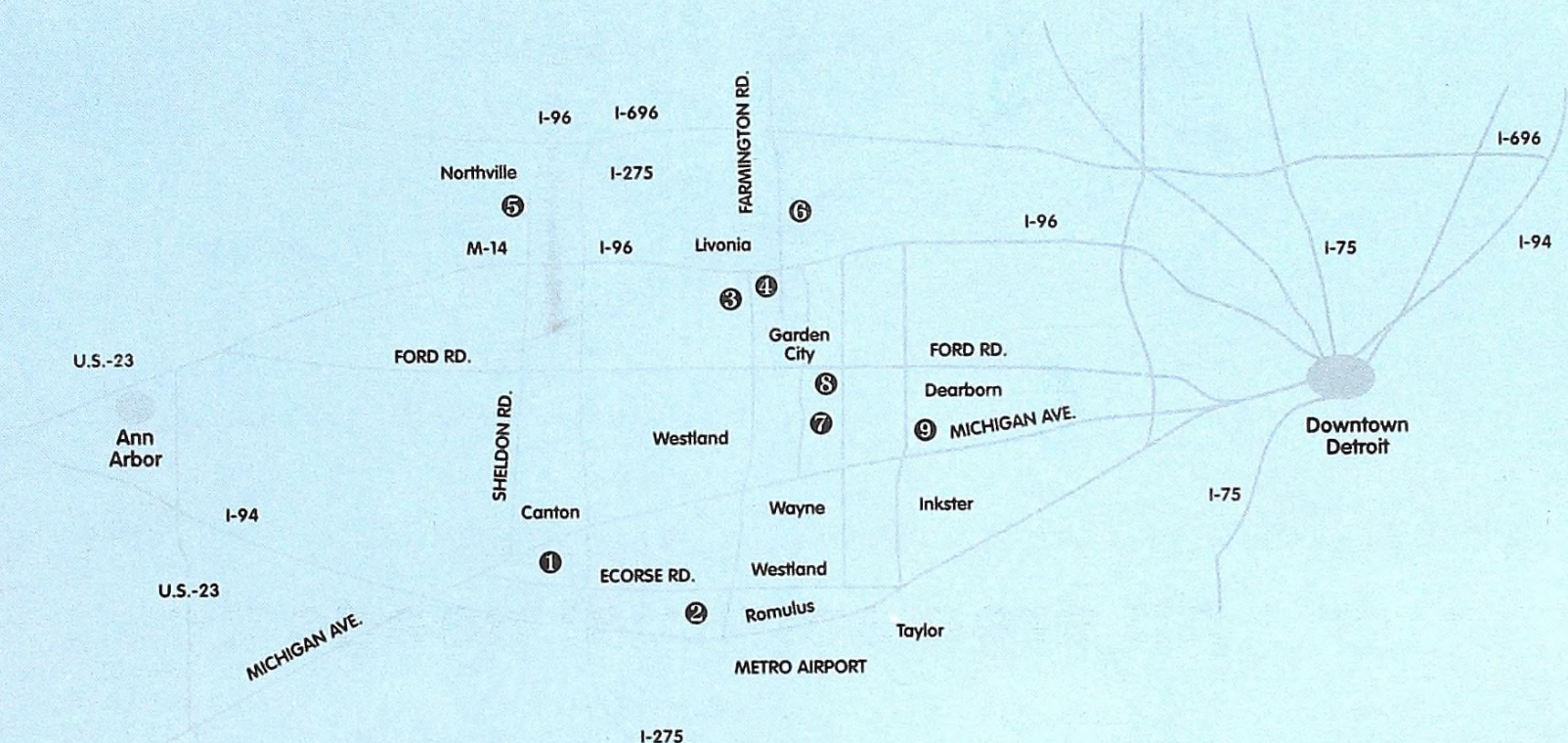


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Belleville began as a small community

Belleville began its existence as a tiny community within Van Buren Township.

By possessing water power for several mills and by obtaining eventual access to the railroad, Belleville, in time, became the hub of the township.

In 1826, Caleb Marsh put a dam across the Huron River to provide power for a sawmill. This simple act would lead to the creation of Belleville as the commercial center of the township. Marsh later sold his land and mill to John Graham who then sold it to James Bell.

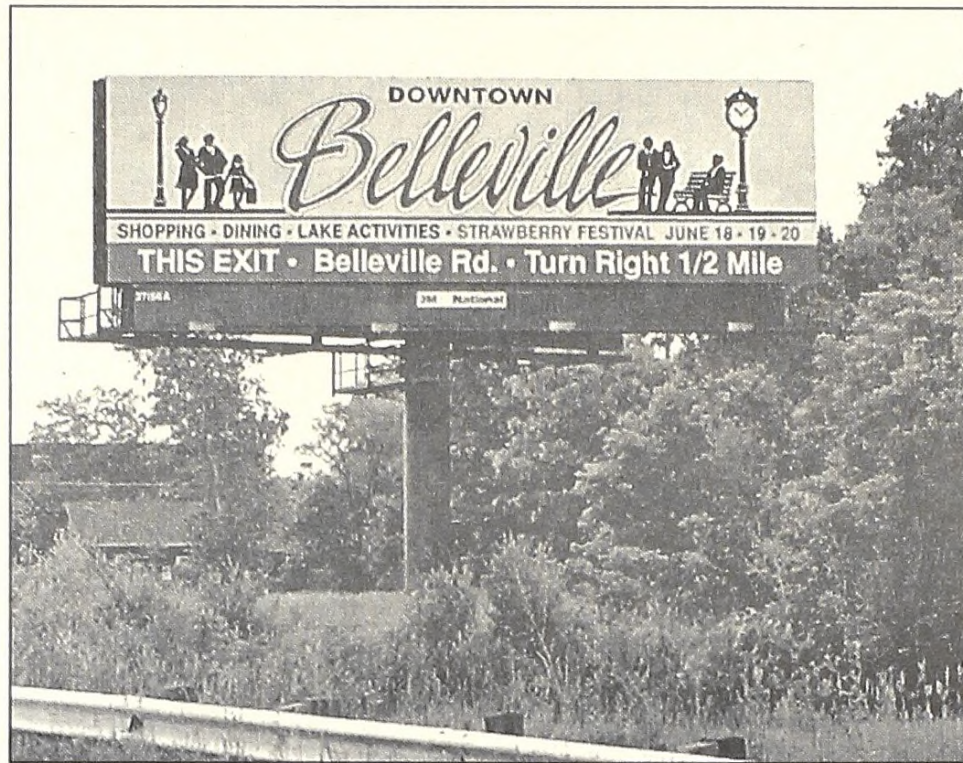
Many people believe the city was named for Bell. Other people still contend the city's name comes from the French translation of "Belle Ville," which means, beautiful village.

In 1905, Belleville became a completely separate entity from Van Buren, despite much opposition from the citizens of the area.

In 1881, the Wabash Railroad ran its first train through Van Buren Township. The tracks curved into Belleville, where a train depot was erected. From this point on, the township's various other small communities, especially Rawsonville and Denton, would go into a decline, as Belleville became the township's main shipping point.

In 1905, Belleville became a completely separate entity from Van Buren, despite much opposition from the citizens of the area. In June of that year, Belleville held its first election. William Atyeo became the first president of Belleville, Malcolm Sloop became treasurer, Charles Ford was the village clerk, Howard Post, Charles Dickerson and William Wallace were elected as trustees for the village. On July 23, 1946, Belleville became a city.

In 1995, an election in the city led to a new mayor, Dennis Fassett, and two new council members, James Fitch and Daniel Besson. In 1996, construction on the Belleville bridge should be complete.



Motorists driving eastbound on Interstate-94 receive a preview of the activities in Belleville on the community billboard. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Community Churches fill area spiritual needs

The following churches serve the tri-community area:

Antioch Baptist, 6538 Rawsonville Road, Pastor Ed Reese, 485-3345

Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ, 20245 Sumpter Road, Pastor Fred Dunford, Jr.

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Belleville Heights Seventh Day Adventist, 24831 Sumpter Road, Pastor Phillip Willis, 461-1880

Belleville Lighthouse, 51185 Willis Road, Pastor Charles Warren, 461-9800

Belleville Presbyterian Church, 11900 Belleville Road, Pastor Deborah VanLuevan Kerr, 697-8687

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One of the favorite summer activities is boating on Belleville Lake, the only lake in Wayne County. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Belleville history buffs challenged

On March 10, the *Belleville Enterprise* will observe its 110th year of publication.

In 1886, the year Roscoe Begole founded the Belleville newspaper, the following events happened: the Statue of Liberty was dedicated, baseball player Ty Cobb was born, author Robert Louis Stevenson wrote *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, and Grover Cleveland was president.

Local historian Park Gregory challenged local history buffs with a quiz about the early days of Belleville during a previous anniversary celebration, and we repeat his questions below:

- Who was the first person from the Western culture to see the site that later became Belleville?

- When did the movement start to incorporate Belleville as a village?

- What event happened in Wayne County on April 7, 1886, that "stopped" Detroit, but didn't stop the *Belleville Enterprise* from publishing on time?

- What national event was started in Belleville and which brought Michigan Governor Alger here to speak?

- The present Norfolk & South Railroad was once known as the Wabash, but before that it was the W.St.L & P. R.R. What do those initials stand for?

- Frank Cody was a member of the June 1886 graduating class of Belleville High School. For what is Cody noted?

- What person who became a prominent local doctor was thought lost when his home on the corner of Liberty and Third burned one winter night in 1899?

- Whortleberries once grew wild around Belleville. What are they?

- Why did Belleville have a "savage" blacksmith in 1886?

Answers: French explorer Rene Robert Cavelier Sieur DeLa Salle; March, 1886; discussions were started in March of 1886; the blizzard of April 6 and 7 which dropped 24.5 inches of snow on Detroit; The National Encampment, developed from the Memorial Association started by John Cody; Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific Railroad; Frank Cody became the superintendent of Detroit Schools and remained so for 27 years; Herbert Robb, M.D. (His father thought he was trapped in a burning house but he had escaped earlier); whortleberries and huckleberries; Arthur Savage was the blacksmith, and his sign read "A Savage Blacksmith:"

Questions posed of Belleville history

Did you know that when the *Belleville Enterprise* was founded in 1886, the U.S. population was between 50 and 60 million, that Michigan had been a state for 49 years and that the supervisor of Van Buren Township was Franklin Robbe?

As the 110th anniversary of the founding of the area newspaper approaches, we looked back in the pages of history and our old editions to prepare this quiz with the aid of area history buff Park Gregory who used information from his book, *See Again* and the *Enterprise*.

Try your skill and memory with these questions:

- On Saturday evening, Sept. 4, 1886, an argument in Murphy's Saloon spilled over onto Main Street where Karl Schmidt shot at John Smith but missed and killed an innocent bystander. Who was that bystander, whose relatives still live in Belleville?
- William Bibbins was a porter at the Belleville Hotel in 1886 and spoke fluent German as well as English. What was unique about Mr. Bibbins?
- On Oct. 30, 1900, a Belleville



The Belleville Strawberry Festival is one of the most popular events for residents of all ages to enjoy in the city.

bank was broken into about 2 a.m. An attempt to blow up the safe failed, and a revolver and a few pennies were all the would-be robbers got. They escaped on a hand car down the tracks toward Romulus. What was the name of the bank?

- In 1913, Dr. Carl Zeidler and Dr. E.B. Kellogg were listed as accoucheurs. What are accoucheurs?
- What year did Belleville be-

come incorporated as a village?

- In what year did J.C. Pullen change the Baptist Church at Main and Third into a funeral parlor, later purchased by Roberts Brothers?
- In what year did the Edison Company bring electric power to Belleville?
- A catastrophe happened in Belleville on April 13, 1925. What was

it?

- On the evening of Jan. 8-9, 1953, a major fire took place. What burned?

Answers: Bert McConnell, a boy in his teens, was killed when Smith dodged; Mr. Bibbins was a black man, possibly one of the first blacks in Belleville; the attempted robbery

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Belleville

Population: 3,270
Area of City: 2 sq. miles
City Officials:
Mayor Dennis Fassett
City Manager Kerreen Gellert
Councilman Richard Smith
Councilman David Fields
Councilman James Fitch
Councilman Daniel Besson

Clerk/Treasurer Agnes Fritch
Chief of Police Hal Berriman
Fire Chief Jack Loria
Public Works Director Keith Boc
Medical Facilities
Oakwood Healthcare Facility
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Library: Fred C. Fischer Library
Education Facilities:
Van Buren Public School District
Belleville High School

North Middle School
South Middle School
Edgemont Elementary School
Elwell Elementary School
Haggerty Elementary School
Rawsonville Elementary School
Savage Elementary School
Tyler Elementary School
School Board Officials:
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Vice President Karl Gorham

Treasurer Sherry Frazier
Secretary Sharry Budd
Trustee Marth Toth
Trustee David Peer
Trustee Susan Ward Callahan
Parochial Schools:
St. Anthony Academy (grades 1-8)
Metro Baptist Temple (grades K-12)
Colleges:
Wayne County Community

Needs

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Illeville Road, Pastor Robert Payne, 697-7150

Bethany Bible Church, 810 W. Huron River Drive, Pastor John Losen, 697-7456

Bethlehem Temple Pentecostal, 45100 Willow Road, Pastor Clay Williams, 461-2121

Church of Christ, 13801 Elwell Road, Pastor Vance Cobb, 697-8001

Church of God, 45170 Hull Road, Pastor Richard Brennen, 697-0927

Church of God in Christ, 44730

Dunn Road, Pastor Cobb, 461-2394

Church of God Mountain Assembly, 494 W. Columbia Avenue, Pastor Dennis McClanahan, 699-0981

Crossway Baptist Church, 39900 Tyler Road, Pastor Charles Ozment, 326-9360

Emmanuel Baptist Church, 960 E. Huron River Drive, Pastor Ken Mowery, 697-0566

Faith United Methodist, 6020 Denton Road, Pastor Margery Schleicher, 483-2276

First Assembly of God, 870 Savage Road, Pastor Ken Miller, 699-6700

First Missionary Baptist, 24092 Bohn, Pastor Frank Riddenbery,

461-6065

First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles Street, Pastor David Strong, 697-9288

Grace Baptist Church, 164 Roys Street, Asst. Pastor Bob White, 699-5411

Huron Valley Free Will Baptist, 20550 Clark Road, Pastor Joseph O'Kelly, 753-9291

Isom Memorial CME Church, 23612 Sumpter Road, Pastor Luckett Hughes Jr., 461-2200

Jehovah's Witnesses Assembly Hall, 43777 Ecorse Road, 699-7777

Jehovah's Witness Lakeside, 45 S. Edgemont, Brother Mark Kicke, 697-4117

Maranatha Baptist Church, 6250 Gilmore, Pastor Paul Bostwick, 484-1430

Metro Baptist Temple, I-94 North Service Drive, Pastor John Vaprehsan, 697-4065

Metropolitan Church of God, 26134 Sumpter Road

Morning Star Church, 44441 Clay, 461-0493

Mt. Hermon Missionary Baptist Church, 24235 Sumpter Road, Minister Phillip L. Ferrell, 461-1332

Pleasant Valley A.M.E. Church, 45620 Victoria Drive, Pastor Ernest J. Garrison, 461-1303

Serenity Missionary Baptist Church, 6040 Haggerty Road.

Canton Township

Canton Township thrives, grows

By HEATHER NEEDHAM
MCN Staff Writer

Canton Township today

At 65,000 people strong, Canton is not only a large community, but it is the fastest-growing community in Wayne County.

In September, the Wayne County Assessor's Office announced that Canton Township had topped the 43 county communities in growth and value.

Canton's 1995 state equalized valuation (SEV) increased from \$1.207 billion in 1994 to \$1.354 billion in 1995. The net growth was \$147,565,850, or 12.22 percent.

Canton's History

Canton Township was founded in 1834 as a farming community. It boasted two crossroads villages, Sheldon Corners and Cherry Hill Village. Sheldon Corners is located at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road. Cherry Hill, located at the corner of Cherry Hill

and Ridge Roads, still exists as a historic district.

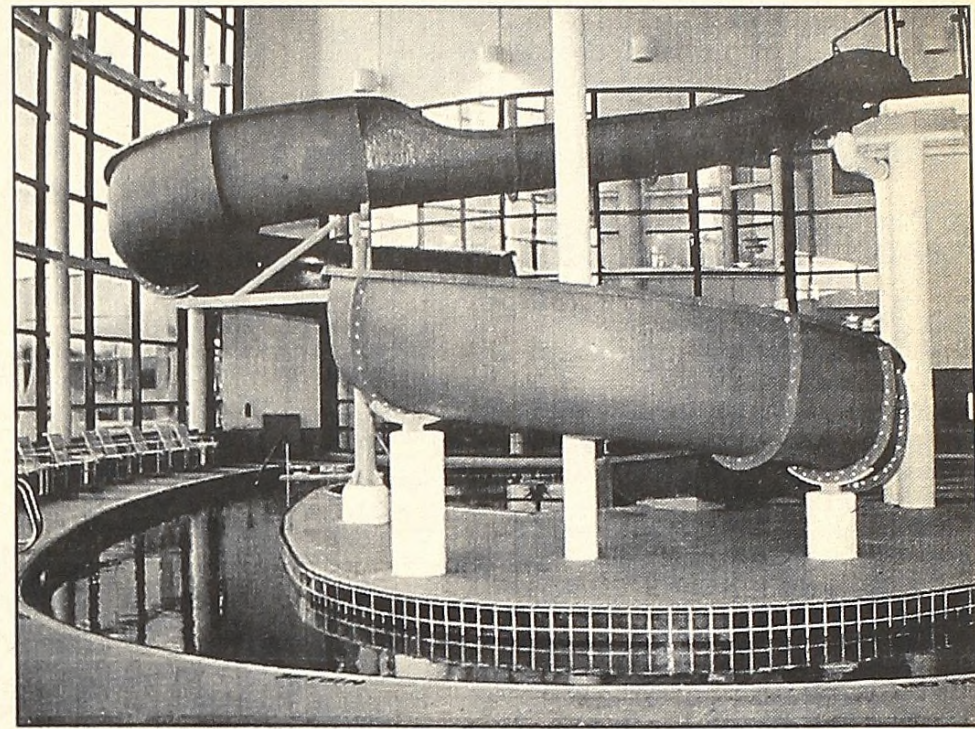
Canton still has five one-room school houses, with one, Canton Center School, used as the Canton Historical Museum, and another, Cherry Hill School, used as a meeting place. The museum is located at the corner of Proctor and Canton Center Roads, and Cherry Hill School is located at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads.

Many historic homes also stand in Canton, and many of Canton's Roads are named after the original land owners, such as Cheldon, Palmer and Proctor. Many homes sit atop former boundaries between farms.

Canton's Government

Canton Township is governed by a Board of Trustees, including a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and four trustees.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, originally from the downriver area, has lived in Canton for 25 years, is



The Summit recently opened which includes a community pool for children and adults to enjoy. The pool houses many slides and water toys. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

married and has four children. He lives on Brandywyne, and his home phone number is 455-5827. His work number is 397-5380.

Clerk Terry Bennett assumed the

post when husband Loren Bennett left to serve as state senator. She and Loren have two children, live on Denton Road and their home

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Looking back on Canton's history

The area now known as Canton Township began when ancient Lake Whittelsey extended into Canton from Lake Erie.

What this lake left behind was a mineral-rich soil full of trace minerals and organic material which would become ideal for farming. The remaining land ridge, known today as Ridge Road is made up of layers of sand and gravel.

East from Ridge Road the land slowly drops off in elevation to the Detroit River, westward from the ridge. On the east side, the ridge slopes downward toward the Detroit River, and on the west side, the land forms gentle hills.

Before 1834, when Canton Township was formed, Potawatomi Indians lived in the area. They, led by Chief Tonquish, rebelled against white people's intrusion into the land by petty thieving and other things. The settlers waged an attack on the Indians, capturing Chief Tonquish. The settlers killed Tonquish and his son, in 1819. This incident ended Indian resistance in Southeastern Michigan.

A Michigan State historic marker was erected on the site, on Wayne Road, just south of Joy.

After this battle, settlers came to the area via the Erie Canal from New York and New England. The first land grant was given to Philander Burd in 1825.

On March 7, 1834, a six-square mile area bounded by Joy Road on the north, Van Born Road on the south, Hannan Road to the east and Napier Road to the east became known as Canton. The first township hall was built on the corner of Cherry Hill and Canton Center Roads for a mere \$700.

In 1961, Canton became incorporated as a Charter Township, giving it the power to establish a police force, make traffic rules and broaden health ordinances. Today Canton has a full-service police and fire department, an accredited school system, a full-service library, a community center and much much more.

Up until the 1970s, farming was the major source of income for Canton residents. From 1925-1970, Canton was known as the "Sweet Corn Capital of Michigan."

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The Cherry Hill Methodist Church in Canton is considered a historical building in the township. MCN Special Photo

How to reach the Canton area offices

Important Canton phone numbers/addresses:

Canton Township Municipal Building

1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, Mich. 48188

Frequently called numbers:
Switchboard: 397-1000

Clerk, Terry Bennett: 397-5367
Supervisor, Tom Yack: 397-5380
Economic Development: 397-5472
Volunteer Coordinator: 397-6450
Treasurer, Elaine Kirchgatter: 397-5371

Administrative Services, director Dan Durack: 397-5431

Financial Services: 397-5424
Resource Development: 397-5389
Water: 397-5418
Personnel: 397-5432

Municipal Services, director Aaron Machnik: 397-5471

Building: 397-5400

Engineering: 397-5405
Planning: 397-5390
Public Works: 397-5441
Recreation: 397-5110
Senior Center: 397-5444, director Dianne Neihengen
Public Safety, director John Santomauro, 397-3000
Patrol: 397-5466
Investigations: 397-5320
Community Relations: 397-5344
Emergencies: 9-1-1
Fire Station No. 1: 981-3920
Fire Station No. 2: 454-4655
Chief Financial Officer, John Spencer 397-5421

Canton Historical Museum: 397-0088
Canton Public Library: 397-0999
Assessor's Office: 981-6400
Plymouth-Canton Schools: 416-3048
454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, Mich. 48170

Canton population estimated 66,119

Canton's population is rising fast, and will increase by 28,000 between the years of 1990 and 2010, according to reports recently released from the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

Canton's current population is estimated at 66,110. The preliminary document projects population and housing for the region through the year 2010. The final forecast is expected to be completed and approved by SEMCOG in the spring of 1996.

The 1990 U.S. Census estimated Canton's population at 57,040. Four years later SEMCOG issued a report putting the community's population

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About Canton schools

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district is home to 15 elementary schools, five middle schools, and two high schools.

Approximately 16,000 students attend school in the district, ranging from Canton, Plymouth, and Plymouth Township. Setting rules and regulations for the district is a board of education, which meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7 p.m., at the administration building at 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI, 48170.

Heading the board is President Dave Artley, Vice President Mark Horvath, Treasurer Michael Maloney, Secretary Susan Davis, and Trustees Barbara Graham, Carrie Blamer and Jack Farrow. All board members are elected by popular vote in June.

Schools superintendent is Charles Little, who handles the administrative side of the district. He attends all board of education meetings, but does not vote. He recommends modes of action, enforces policies, and meets with students and parents on a regular basis.

To contact a board member, Charles Little, or for enrollment information, call the board of education office at: 416-2701.

Inkster originally part of Bucklin

What is today, the city of Inkster, was originally part of Bucklin Township, which was created in 1827.

The 143-square-mile township was later broken up into the townships of Nankin (now Westland), Livonia, Dearborn and Redford. Some 491 people were listed in a territorial census.

The first settler within the limits of Inkster was Marenus Harrison who was one of two families living in the area. His land purchase was made in 1822, but not recorded until three years later. A street and school were named after the pioneer settler.

Another early settlers was James Wightman, who purchased land in January of 1825.

The high time of immigration was the period between 1830 and 1833.

The city was named after Robert Inkster, a native of the Shetland Islands, 50 miles off the coast of Norway. The name, "Inkster," is said to come from a Norse name, "Ingasetter," which is a person's name plus the term for summer pasture.

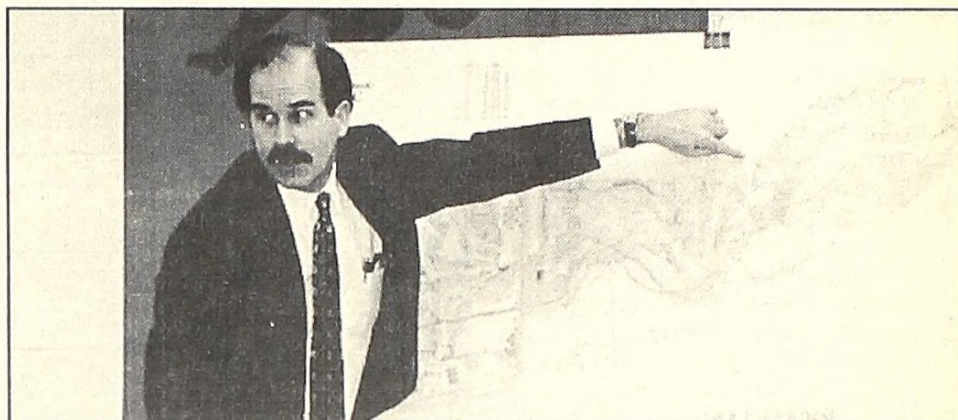
Inkster bought a steam saw mill in 1855 and married Cordelia White in 1856.

The post office established in the community in 1857 was named Moulin Rouge, French for red mill. From 1866 to 1868, Robert Inkster served as postmaster. He also engaged in real estate, and reportedly sold land in Highland Park to Henry Ford.

It was not until 1863 that the post office was renamed to Inkster.

Blacks did not begin to settle in Inkster until World War I. The first black settler who moved to Inkster permanently was Charles Lawrence who took up residence in the southwest section in 1918. By 1924, blacks began to migrate to Inkster in large numbers prompted by the \$5-work-day established by Henry Ford and the proximity of Inkster to their work place.

When the area was chartered as a village in 1927, several blacks were among the elected officials: David T. Griffin, the first black councilman, plus the Rev. O.B. Jones, Robert Simmons, the Rev. Esias Lee, Hiram McNeeley, Louis Demby



Architect Donald Tilton (above) displays the design for the new city golf course. MCN Special Photo

and Lester Chensue.

The village prospered until 1929 when the stock market crashed and triggered the Great Depression of the 1930s.

In 1930, the population of the village was 4,440.

A survey at that time, conducted by the Inkster Civic League, revealed 700 unemployed, 500 of them former Ford employees. Ninety percent of them were buying their

homes on land contracts. A plan put in force by the company put the unemployed to work on roads, clean up projects and various trades. They were paid \$1 per day in cash with \$3 being set aside as credit, enabling many people to "survive" the Depression.

In 1940, the population of Inkster was 7,044, increasing to 12,708 in 1945; 16,728 in 1950; 39,097 in 1960, and 37,184 in 1965.

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Romulus history dates back to 1835

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

The township of Romulus dates its history back to April 1835, when the first governmental meeting was conducted in the home of Joseph Pullen.

Prior to that Romulus was part of Huron Township and its first settlers arrived as early as 1826.

But on April 6, 1835, the following township officers were elected: D.J. Pullen, supervisor; John Simpson, town clerk; Joseph Pullen, Hale Wakefeld and George Dykeman, assessors; Samuel Tobyn, F.F. Jasper and Alexander Simpson, highway commissioners; John F. Smith, John Carr and Jenks Pullen, school inspectors; Warren Blair and Ben D. Smith, poor masters; and Jenks Pullen, constable and collector.

At that time the Romulus area was infested with wolves, swamps and mosquitoes. Local officials were so concerned about the wolf population that it paid a \$2 for every wolf that was killed.

In 1835 the area had four key roads and no railroads. The roads, which at that time were only trails, included: Territorial Road, Tobyn Road, Huron River drive and River Road.

There were no schools and the business area was located at "Pullen's Corners." The area was named after Jenks Pullen and his six sons, who only three years before had purchased 200 acres from the U.S. government.

It is reported that the men's fashions of the day included buckskin clothing, moccasins and felt hats. Women wore leg-of-mutton style sleeve and full skirts to the ankle. Flat heeled shoes were the order of the day and young girls dressed in similar clothing as their mothers.

Of the 41 pioneers listed in Romulus' early days, the *Farmer's History* records three came from other parts of Wayne County, five from England, 14 from Germany, five from Ireland, two from Scotland and one from another part of Michigan.

The remaining 11 came from other parts of the U.S., mostly from



The Peter C. Bird House built circa 1878 at the corner of Grant and Wayne Road. MCN Special Photo

New York state.

The Romulus School District dates back to 1839, when a group of taxable residents met to organize School District No. 1 and to construct a school house 22 feet by 26 feet with the cost to be \$200.

In 1854 the Romulus Union Church Society was organized for the purpose of constructing a building for use by all denominations and for funerals. A church was later constructed at a cost of \$1,400 and was known for some time as the "White Church" and today is known as the Romulus Wesleyan Church.

The church was believed to have been once used by the "under-

ground railroad."

The area's political history has been exciting and reports date back in 1888 even the Prohibition Party fielded a slate of candidates.

The first railroad passed through Romulus after the Civil War in 1870. It was operated by the Pere Marquette line and was known as the Holly Wayne and Monroe. It later was changed to the Flint and Pere Marquette. The Wabash was started in 1880.

The old Grange Hall at 36572 Goddard Road served as Romulus Township Hall from 1931-1970.

In May 1970 the current Romulus

City Hall was dedicated and it was remodeled in 1994.

Romulus also is the host city for the massive Detroit Metro Airport, which is planning a new enlargement within a few years.

The city's population was recorded at 22,898 in the 1990 census, including 6,598 students three years and older.

Also according to the 1990 census, of the 229,573 who listed ancestries the following were the highest reported: German, 5,650; Irish 3,820; English, 2,699; Polish, 2,137; French (except Basque) and American, 1,311.

Romulus police, fire departments provide service

The Romulus Police Headquarters is located in a former school building at 11165 Olive St. (corner of Olive and Bibbins).

Police Chief Daryl Poe is aided by four lieutenants: Lt. Kenneth Kraus of the Detective Bureau, Lt. Robert Brown, administration; Lt. Eric Painter, operations; and Lt. David Early, special investigative unit.

The city ordinance officer is Steven Banko. His office number is 942-6860.

Other key police phone numbers are: switchboard, 941-8400; detective bureau, 942-6879; and the record bureau, 942-6874. The emergency number is 9-1-1.

Romulus Fire Chief William Greenslait oversees a heavily volunteer fire department that is housed

in four fire stations.

The fire station addresses and commanders include:

Station 1 at 37230 Northline Road headed by Battalion Chief Jerry Ladach.

Station 2 at 7221 Middlebelt Road headed by Capt. George Simko.

Station 3 located at 6900 Wayne Road headed by Battalion Chief Bill Daughenbaugh.

Station 4 headed by Battalion Chief Don Schmidt.

Other top fire department officials include: Fire Marshall David Allison, Deputy Chief Robert Pecsenye and Emergency Management Coordinator Margaret LeDuc.

The emergency fire department number is 9-1-1. The administration phone number is 941-8585.

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Oakley to lead City of Romulus government

Romulus city government is a strong mayor style headed by Mayor William Oakley elected to a two-year term in November 1995. Assisting him is his top aide, Thomas Morris.

Other top city officials include:
City Clerk Linda Choate-942-7540
Department of Public Works Director David Paul-942-7579

Animal Shelter Director Kim Matthews-942-7591

Personal Director Anita Johnson-942-7512

Recreation Department Director Debbie Dick-942-6852

City Treasurer James Napiorkowski-942-7580

Romulus airport offers efficiency

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Domestic and foreign travel from and into Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Romulus continues to escalate.

Wayne County and Northwest Airlines officials realize the need for a larger more efficient midfield terminal.

A decision on the size and construction of such a facility is expected soon, and along with it expanded non-stop travel to such places as Beijing, China.

Such non-stop flights to international sites are also expected to create tremendous off-airport growth cycles as it was reported recently that 74 Michigan businesses currently have a physical presence in mainland China and with the opening of the new China flight schedule that number is expected to grow in the Metro area.

Later this year air service frequency between the United States and Italy will become available and Northwest Airlines already has filed for authority to fly from Metro to Rome.

Seat capacity for flights from Metro to London's Gatwick Airport

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Wayne County Community College President Dr. Curtis Ivery discusses plans for the Western Center with Terry Bird of Romulus High School. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Computers highlight area school programs

The Romulus Community School District (that offers one of the widest student computerized programs in the nation) is composed of eight schools, including five elementary schools, a middle school, a high school and a school building that houses both pre-school and adult school programs.

The district is guided by a seven member Board of Education headed by Debra Hoffman, who also serves as director of the city's finance department.

Other board members include: Kenneth Berlin, vice president; Judith Gondek, secretary; Julie A. Oleszkowicz, treasurer; and Howard Kesner, Sandra Langley and Pat Patterson, trustees.

The district's administration is lead by veteran Superintendent Dr. William Bedell; Joel R. Carr, assistant superintendent for finance and operations; Arthur McPharlin, director of technology; Thomas Dolan, curriculum director; and Dr. Samuel LaMonica, director of human relations.

The elementary schools and their principals include:

Barth School located at 38207 Barth Road is headed by Principal Harold Connon. The phone number is 313-941-2821.

Cory School located at 35200 Smith Road is headed by Principal Phyllis Adkins. The phone number is 313-721-4757.

Halecreek School located at

The district is guided by a seven member Board of Education headed by Debra Hoffman, who also serves as director of the city's finance department.

16200 Harrison Road is headed by Principal Lynne Mossoian. The phone number is 313-941-0536.

Merriman School located at 15303 Merriman Road is headed by Principal Andrea Williams. The phone number is 941-6900.

Wick School located at 36900 Wick Road is headed by Principal Earl Cornett. The phone number is 313-326-4610.

The Romulus Middle School (7th and 8th grades) located at 37300 Wick Road is headed by Acting Principal Edward Clark. The telephone number is 313-722-1050.

The Romulus Senior High School located at 9650 South Wayne Road is headed by Principal Daniel Hurst. The phone number is 313-941-2170.

Pre-school school classes, special services and adult education programs are conducted at 39000 Superior. The phone number is 313-941-0272. Special services are directed by Claude Siders and adult classes are directed by William Murphy.

Romulus chamber directors listed

The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce is headed by President David J. Paul, who also serves as the city's director of the Department of Public Works.

The chamber's daily operations are conducted by Karan Johnson, executive secretary, at the chamber headquarters, 31200 Industrial Expressway in Romulus.

The chamber's monthly meeting is usually held the third Tuesday at noon at various hotels in Romulus.

Other chamber officers include David Goodman, first vice president; Mark Lewkowicz, second vice president; Patty Ayres, secretary; and Jason Lovette, treasurer.

The board of directors includes: Joel Carr, Kristine Detroyer, Joe Kochanoski, Gary Sampson, Bob Sanchez, Dennis Swaney, Andy Solak, Gil White Jr., Larry Williams, Dennis Williams and Dennis Worsley.

34th District Court named

The 34th District Court in Romulus serves the communities of Romulus, Belleville, Huron Township, Van Buren Township and Sumpter Township.

The court is located 11131 South Wayne Road (in the Romulus Civic Center complex) and its phone number is 941-4462.

The judicial staff at the court includes Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green, Judge Henry Zaborowski and Judge William Szlinis.

The administrative staff includes: Clema Pond, supervisor of the criminal division; Carol Bowman, supervisor of the probation department and Oneita Davis, supervisor of the civil division.

Court recorders for the three judges are Michelle Kamensky (Judge Green), Shirley Monaert (Judge Szlinis) and Lisa Pond (Judge Zaborowski).

The court is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for holidays.

Sumpter Township

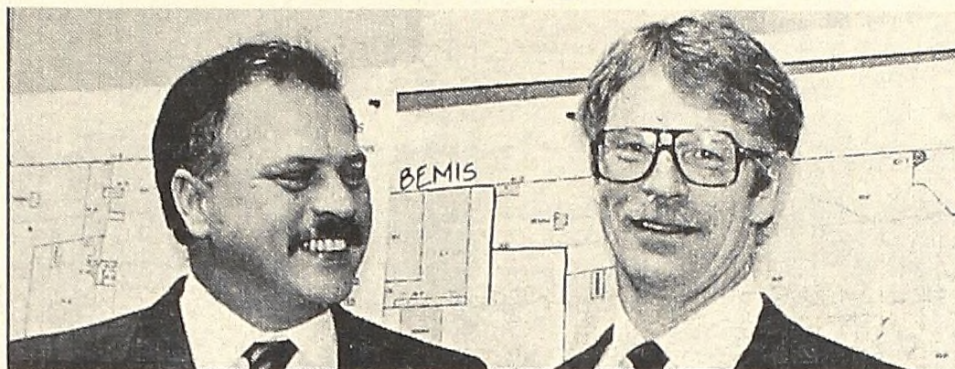
Sumpter Township history reported

Sumpter Township was named for General Thomas Sumter, who fought in the Revolutionary War. A clerk mistakenly added a "P" to the last name. The error was never corrected, and the township took the name Sumpter.

In 1827, the boundaries of the area were established by the Board of Supervisors. The area was Huron Township, and it included Huron, Van Buren, Romulus and Sumpter Townships. Eight years later, Huron and Van Buren were formed from Huron Township.

On April 6, 1840, with 228 residents, Sumpter Township was formed. For a short time afterward, it was known as West Huron.

The southern end of Sumpter Township was crossed by the Wyandot Indian Trail.



Sumpter Township Supervisor Marvin Banotai (left) and Trustee Arness Cox discuss future plans for the township. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Sumpter schools and government

Population: 11,100

Size: 37.46 sq. miles

Government officials: Supervisor Marvin Banotai, Clerk Joan Oddy, Treasurer John W. Morgan, Trustee Barney Ban, Trustee Arness Cox, Trustee Barbara Dudek and Trustee Helen Teall

Fire Chief Leslie Powell

Police Chief Clinton Brown

Education:

Van Buren Public School District - Belleville High School, North Middle School, South Middle School, Edgemont Elementary, Elwell Elementary, Haggerty Elementary,

Rawsonville Elementary, Savage Elementary and Tyler Elementary

School Board Officials:

Superintendent James Richendollar, President Jere Dolph, Vice President Karl Gorham, Secretary Sharry Budd, Treasurer Sherry Frazier, Trustee Martha Toth, Trustee David Peer and Trustee Susan Ward Callahan.

Note: The Van Buren Public School District covers Belleville, Van Buren Township, Sumpter Township, and parts of Canton Township and Washtenaw County.

Sumpter services

Medical facilities:

Oakwood Hospital Family Medical Center

Oakwood Healthcare Center

Beyer Memorial Hospital

St. Joseph Hospital

Annapolis Hospital

Belle Woods Continuing Care

Ambulance service:

Huron Valley Ambulance, Inc.

Fire Chief Leslie Powell

Police Chief Clinton Brown

Utilities:

Electrical - Detroit Edison

Gas - Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Telephone - Ameritech

Water - Sumpter Township

Financial Institutions:

NBD, N.A. (3 branches)

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Library:

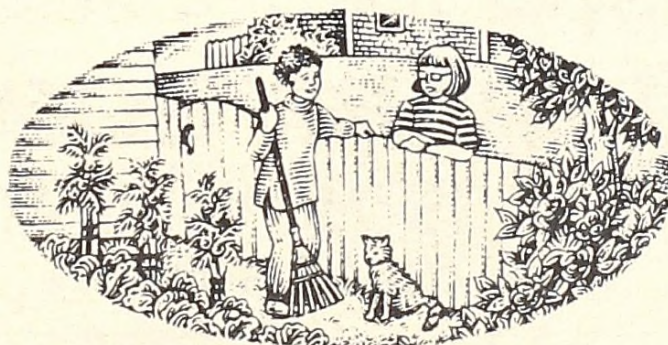
Fred C. Fischer

Recreation:

Sumpter Country Days

Wayne County Fair

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Van Buren Township

Van Buren history reveals first settlers

In 1819, Joseph Wampler surveyed the Michigan Territory, walking each of the township's 36 sections.

The first white man to take up government land in Van Buren Township was Caleb Marsh, who built his home in the south fraction of Section 21. This is land along the river, in the area of what later became the city of Belleville.

Until 1875, township business was conducted in private homes. Township bills were issued and signed in John Hope's kitchen.

The proposal of the building of a township hall was placed before voters in early 1875. The board set aside \$1,500 for the construction of a one-story building. In September,

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Van Buren offers services

Medical Facilities:

Beyer Memorial Hospital
St. Joseph Hospital
Annapolis Hospital
Oakwood Healthcare Center
Belle Woods Continuing Care

Van Buren Fire Department:

Deputy Fire Director Al Smolen

Van Buren Police Department:

Public Safety Director Mark Perkins

Utilities

Electrical: Detroit Edison

Gas: Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Telephone: Ameritech

Cablevision: Omnicom of Michigan, Inc.

Financial Services:

NBD Bank, NA (three branches)

Comerica Bank-Detroit

Library services

Fred C. Fischer Library, Belleville



David Jacobes

Township facts listed

Population: 22,754

Township Officials: Supervisor David Jacobes; Clerk Cindy King; Treasurer Helen Foster; Trustee Donna Clark; Trustee John Cicotte; Trustee Anthony Tomaino; Trustee Walter Rochowiak

Secretary Sharry Budd

Public Safety Director Mark Perkins

Deputy Fire Director Al Smolen

Education:

Van Buren Public School District
Belleville High School; North Middle School; South Middle School; Edgemont Elementary School; Elwell Elementary School; Haggerty Elementary School; Rawsonville Elementary School; Savage Elementary School; Tyler Elementary School

Board of Education:

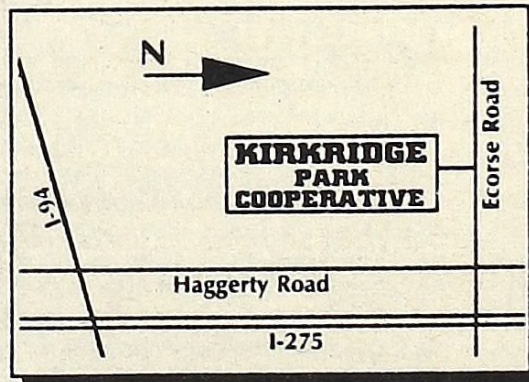
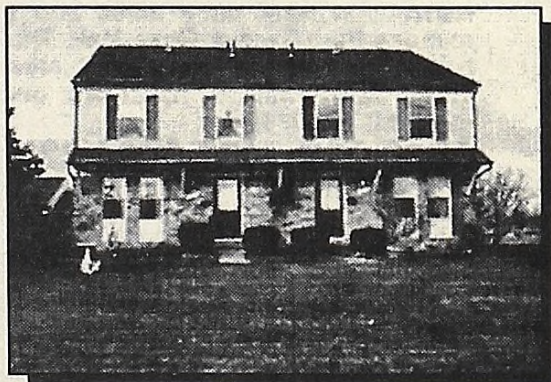
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127-year history of Wayne recalled

The City of Wayne will be celebrating its 127th anniversary this year.

Established as a village in 1869, Wayne is currently comprised of six square miles. The 1990 census revealed 19,899 people live in the community which is comprised of many family programs and activities.

The first settler in Wayne was George M. Johnson in 1824. He built a log cabin house on the old Sauk Trail.

On April 12, 1869 the Village of Wayne was incorporated, and William R. Corlett was elected the first village president.

The first newspaper in Wayne, *The Pilot*, reached the hands of the public Nov. 18, 1875.

In 1878 the Village Hall is built on the public square. The building is still standing and now houses the Historical Museum.

In 1885 the Palace Opera House was built, and it featured a large rink for roller skating and bicycle races.

The following is a chronological list of historical moments in the City of Wayne:

- 1888-The Prouty and Glass Carriage Co. of Detroit, a builder of fine horse-drawn carriages, relocated to Wayne.

- 1889-The electric streetcars of the Detroit Urban Railroad connects Wayne with Detroit to the east and as far west as Jackson.

- 1906-The first telephone arrives in Wayne.

- 1908-Electricity is brought to Wayne by the Detroit Edison Co.

- 1914-A village water supply system is installed in Wayne, utilizing an open reservoir and water tank.

- 1916-Ray Harroun, race car driver and winner of the first Indianapolis 500 manufactures the first automobile in Wayne.

- 1924-Architect and inventor Charles Attwood founded Deceleco, an innovative company producing metal framing systems. Deceleco becomes the Unistrut Co. in 1942.

- 1927-The Graham Co. of Indiana purchases the Harroun Factory and manufactures the Graham-Paige automobile.

- 1932-Dr. James E. Caraway and Dr. R.G. Huff open the Wayne Clinic which later becomes Nankin Hospital.

- 1945-The first edition of the *Wayne Eagle* is published Aug. 31.

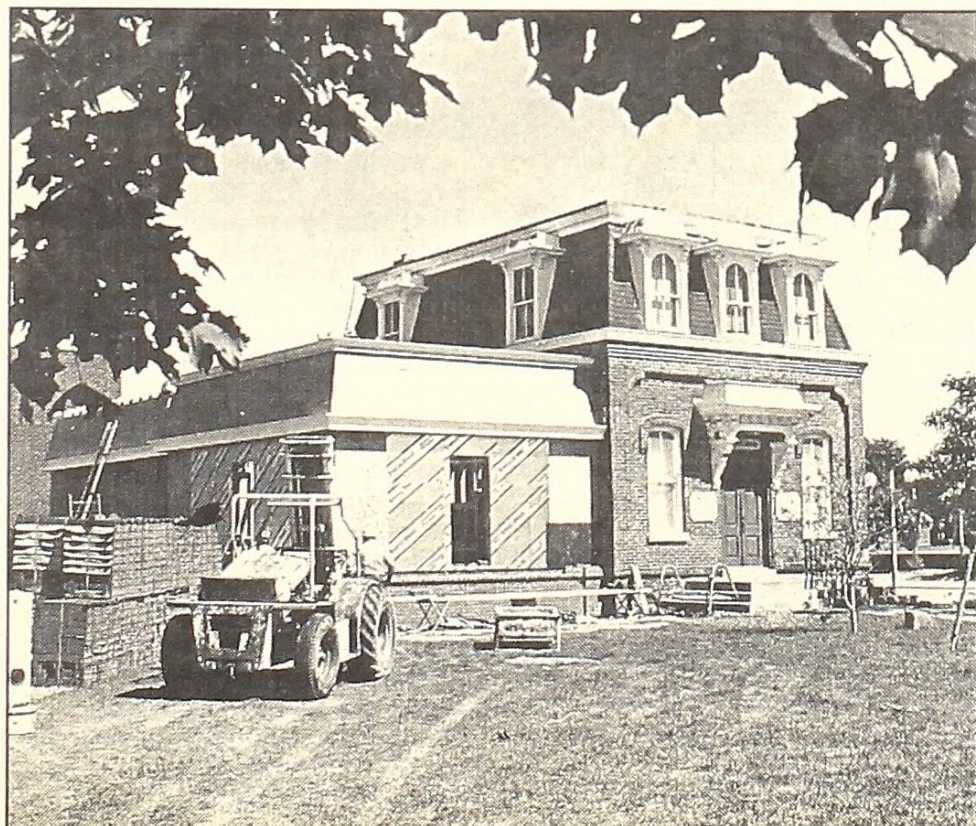
- 1946-The premiere of the 1,500 seat State Wayne Theatre.

- 1947-The Village adopts the manager-council form of government.

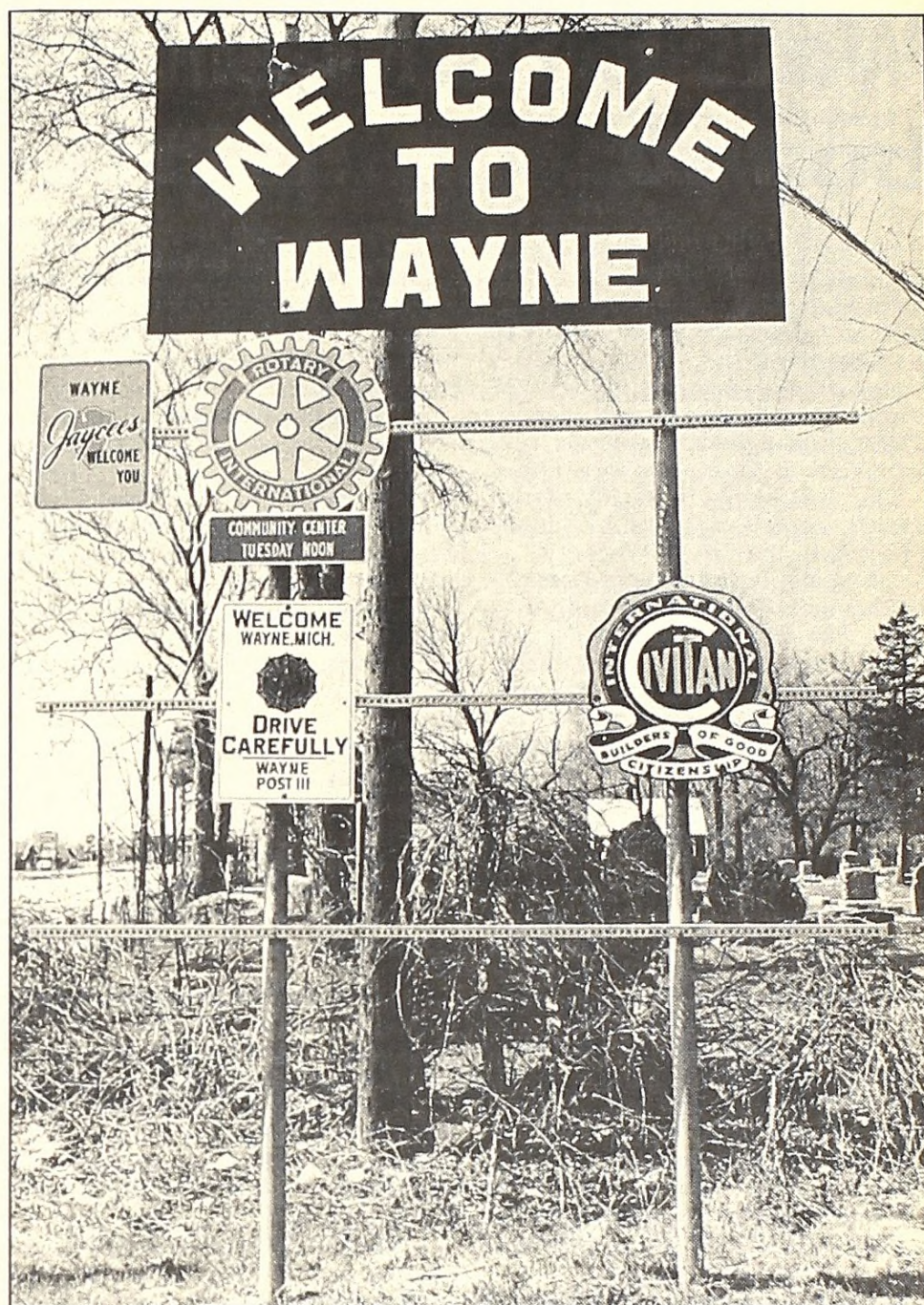
- 1952-The Lincoln-Mercury division of the Ford Motor Co. dedicates an assembly plant on Michigan Avenue.

- 1957-The first station wagon in the nation is manufactured at Wayne's Lincoln-Mercury plant.

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The Wayne Historical Museum was built in 1878. MCN Special Photo



Wayne was established as a village in 1869. MCN Special Photo

Wayne historical museum houses treasured memories

The old two story part of the Wayne Historical building was built in 1878.

It was occupied by the Village of Wayne and Nankin Township (Westland). In 1900 the Village purchased fire equipment, and village officials built an addition on the rear to house the equipment.

In 1926 the Village hired a police department, and they dug out the basement to be used for the jail.

By 1928, the Township moved into a separate building. Now the building was occupied by the Village offices, the police department and the fire department.

It remained this way until 1950 when the police department moved into their new location on Sims Avenue.

In 1952, the fire department moved to their present location on

Wayne Road. It then was occupied by the Chamber of Commerce and Junior Achievements.

In 1964 the building became the Wayne Historical Museum. In July of 1963 the city council adopted the Historical ordinance that created the Historical Commission which is responsible for the collection and preservation of Wayne's history.

On March 19, 1985, the city council approved the site plan that the Historical Commission recommended for the expansion and renovation of the Historical Museum.

The contract was a total of \$172,000. This money came from the Historical Fund Bequest by Floyd Warner, Clara Hosie and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brender.

The new addition did not cost the

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Wayne residents serve on various boards, committees, commissions

The City of Wayne is represented by many boards, commissions and committees which are responsible for maintaining the quality of life in the community.

There are approximately 27 groups that have various responsibilities from hearing appeals from taxpayers to approving site plans.

The following is a list of the boards, commissions and committees within the City of Wayne:

- **Arts and Entertainment Committee**-Recommends programming to the parks and recreation department for the Goudy Park Amphitheatre and the State Wayne Theatre.
- **Beautification Committee**-Recommends and advises the city council as to certain beautification projects that are needed in the city.
- **Board of Canvassers**-Certifies the results of local elections and is composed of an equal number of Republicans and Democrats.
- **Board of Review**-Hears appeals from individual taxpayers, reviews and makes adjustments in the assessment rolls, when necessary.
- **Building Authority**-Incorporated to acquire, furnish, enlarge, operate and maintain parking facilities, recreation building or for any other legitimate public purpose for the City of Wayne.
- **Business Retail Search Committee**-Encourages retail and commercial development in the city.
- **Cable Communications Regulatory Commission**-Oversees operation of city cable franchise.
- **Cemetery Board**-Advises and recommends to the city council for the improvement of municipally owned cemeteries.

- **Citizens Advisory Council for Housing and Community Development Act Projects**-Advises the city council on the use of the city's Community Development Block Grant Program funds.

- **Clean Up Committee**-Conducts the annual Clean Up program in the city.

- **Commission on Aging**-Advises council on programs and services which are beneficial to senior citizens.

- **Development Area Citizens Council**-Advises the Downtown Development Authority and city council on downtown development matters.

- **Downtown Development Authority**-Develop and propose to the city council, long range plans for the promotion of economic growth in the downtown district.

- **Electrical Examining Board**-Review applications for electrical journeyman's and contractor's licenses.

- **Economic Development Corporation**-Encourages commercial and industrial corporations to locate within the City of Wayne.

- **Employees Suggestion and Awards Board**-Encourages employees to submit suggestions which will result in a direct financial benefit to the city.

- **Festival Commission**-Plans, organizes and is responsible for the total operation for the annual homecoming festival.

- **Historical Commission**-Oversees the operation of the Historical Museum, which displays exhibits of lo-

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Construction for the new Michigan Truck Plant Paint Facility began in 1991 in Wayne. MCN Special Photo

City workers perform administrative duties

The city administration is comprised of many dedicated individuals who make sure the day-to-day tasks are performed to keep the community on track.

City administrators include: City Manager John Zech; Community Development Director Debbie Manns; City Clerk Doris Nall; Finance Director Thomas Norwood; Assistant Finance Director/Assessor Edmund Rothfelder; Personnel Director/Meter Department Supervisor Robert English; and City Attorney Richard Clark.

The city administration is located at City Hall, 3355 south Wayne Road. City officials can be contacted at 313-722-2000.

Other city offices include:

- **Wayne Police Department**-34840 Sims Avenue, 313-721-1414. The Wayne police chief is John P. Colligan.
- **Wayne Fire Department**-3300 south Wayne Road, 313-722-1111. The Wayne fire chief is Michael O'Brien.

- **Parks and Recreation Department**-4635 Howe Road, 313-721-7400. The Wayne Parks and Recreation Director is Kim Fallow.

- **Senior Services Office**-4635 Howe Road, 313-721-7460. The Senior Services Director is Audrey Tucker.

- **Building and Engineering Department**-4001 south Wayne Road, 313-728-9100. The city engineer is Ramzi J. El-Gharib.

- **Public Housing Division**-4001 south Wayne Road, 313-721-8602.

- **Public Works Department**-4001 south Wayne Road, 313-721-8600. The Public Works Department superintendent is Gary C. Clark.

- **Wayne Historical Museum**-One Town Square, 313-722-0113. The Historical Museum manager is Henry C. Goudy.

- **Wayne/Westland Library**-35000 Sims Avenue, 313-721-7832. The Wayne/Westland librarian is Lois Van Stipdonk.

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History

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- 1957-Two new buildings open in Wayne, the Wayne-Nankin Library and Annapolis Hospital.
- 1960-Wayne is incorporated as a home-rule city on July 5.
- 1964-The first truck, an F-100 rolls off the assembly line at the Ford Motor Co. Truck Plant.
- 1974-City opens the new Community Center.
- 1978-"Old Betsy", the vintage red fire truck that served Wayne for 30 years since 1928, is added to the collection at Henry Ford Museum.
- 1980-The "Storm of 1980" blasts the city with 100 mph winds, ripping down numerous trees and power lines.
- 1985-Wayne presents its first annual fireworks show.

nual fireworks show.

- 1988-City Hall moves to the renovated Recreation Building and the 29th District Court moves to the former City Hall building.

- 1991-The State Wayne Theatre re-opens as a modernized, four-screen theatre.

- 1992-Installation of a lighted path along the lower Rouge River between Elizabeth and Josephine Streets takes place.

- 1992-Completion of the Goudy Park Amphitheatre takes place.

- 1993-Stage IV opens at the State Wayne Theater featuring live entertainment.

- 1994-Ground breaking begins on the new Wayne Public Library in downtown Wayne.

- 1995-Ground breaking begins on the new Aquatic Center on Annapolis Road next to the Wayne Community Center.

House

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taxpayers of Wayne any money, and it was dedicated to the public Sept. 4, 1986.

The State of Michigan Historical marker was dedicated to the public Oct. 25, 1987.

Today there are more than 100 exhibits telling the story of the his-

tory of Wayne, along with a few thousand photos in the photo files.

The Wayne Historical Museum is closed Sundays, but can be reached by phone from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and is open to visitors 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. There is no admission fee to enter the Museum.

Groups are welcome by appointment. Call 722-0113 to book a tour.

Editor's note: This information was provided by the Wayne Historical Museum.



The Wayne Police Department now has one of the top canine investigative divisions which includes three police dogs: Caesar, Bullet and Cuffs. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



The Wayne Fire Department (above) is very active with school programs in the Wayne-Westland District. MCN Special Photo

Serve

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cal history and assists individuals with historical and genealogical research.

- **Housing Commission**-Authorized to condemn or otherwise acquire property to enact and maintain low rent housing.

- **Human Relations Commission**-Works to establish quality human relations and increase understanding with the residents of the community. Additionally, investigates grievances and acts of discrimination.

- **Library Board**-Provides proper reading room and materials for the use and benefit of the residents. Reports to the council on any matters necessary for the proper operation of the library.

- **Mechanical/Building Construction Board of Appeals**-Determines the suitability of alternative materials and types of construction and provides interpretations of the pro-

visions in the Building Code.

- **Personnel Board**-Represents the public interest in the improvement of personnel administration in the city service, responsible for rules, regulations, policies and practices governing permanent, provisional, temporary and emergency appointments to positions in the City Classified Service.

- **Planning Commission**-Reviews any proposed subdivisions and zoning changes, makes recommendations to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the city council.

- **Plumbing Board**-Conducts investigations on any matter pertaining to the effective operation and application of the Plumbing Code.

- **Recreation Advisory Board**-Works in conjunction with the parks and recreation department to provide and maintain a comprehensive recreation program.

- **Zoning Board of Appeals**-Empowered to authorize variances from the strict application of the Zoning Ordinance, to grant special exception permits, and to interpret ordinances.

Duties

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Judge Carolyn Archbold directs the activities at the 29th District Court in Wayne which is located at 34808 Sims Avenue. Residents can

direct their calls to the 29th District Court by calling 313-722-5220.

Legislative officials who represent the City of Wayne include State Sen. Loren Bennett, 517-373-7350, State Rep. Thomas Kelly, 517-373-0849 and Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson, 313-224-5542.

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City of Westland

Westland, a proud history City exceeds expectations in growth, progress

City of Pride, Progress and Promise has been the motto for the City of Westland since its adoption in 1967. Originally, Nankin Township, Westland became a city May 16, 1966 and has exceeded the communities earliest estimations in both development and expansion.

Westland's location, along the Rouge River, rests on a former glacial lake bed. A bed rich in the history of three Algonquin Indian tribes (Potawatomi, Ojibwa and Ottawa) that met every season at the fork of the Rouge River.

Settlers seeking new hunting and harvesting lands frequently engaged in conflicts between the Indian tribes and the pioneers. The final confrontation occurred between the early settlers and the Potawatomi Indian Chief Tonquish in 1819.

Migrants began to locate and establish homes and schools in the area over the next decade. Settlers included Samuel Pratt Cady of New

York (Cady School); Reverend Marcus Swift (first Methodist minister) and Josiah Mason. Ten years after the fight, Nankin Township was created after the division of Bucklin Township in 1829.

Little existed in the early 19th century except small villages such as Darby's Corner, Wayne; Moulin Rouge, Inkster; and Perrinsville, Garden City. Slowly Nankin Township began to dissolve itself from small villages into cities. In 1958, the Village of Wayne sought to incorporate a 12-square-mile area of land. Defeated by a small margin, petitioners later sought a smaller parcel of land -- six square-miles -- and were voted in as a city, Wayne, in July of 1960.

With another city on their border, Nankin residents sought to petition for incorporation in 1961 but failed miserably. Five years later, residents would be successful. Twenty-square-miles would be incorporated into the City of Westland.



The Westland ground breaking for the new library gathered a huge crowd of city officials and dignitaries. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Westland's population has grown to almost 85,000 from its early days of a few thousand settlers. Retail shopping, schools, restaurants, a

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Information: Models, 595-4048. Builder Ron Story, 728-6678.

Tanglewood 728-6678

acres



Western Wayne County Answer Book

City of Westland

Office of the Mayor
Robert J. Thomas
36601 Ford Road
467-3161

Assessment
City Hall - 36601 Ford
467-3161
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Building
Robert Fritz, Director
Economic Growth Center
37095 Marquette
467-3210
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CATV/Community Relations
Diane E. Abbott, Station Manager
WLND Channel 8 - Tonquish
Center
33455 W. Warren Road
467-3198
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

City Council
City Hall - 36601 Ford
467-3191
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Community Development
James Gilbert, Director
Dorsey Center - 32715 Dorsey



The Westland summer festival continues to draw a huge crowd of participants for the various programs which includes the pie eating contest. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Road
595-0288
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

18th District Court
Judge C. Charles Bokos
Judge Gail McKnight
36675 Ford

595-8720
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tue. - Wed. 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Thurs. - 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Economic Development
Scott Veldhuis, Director
Economic Growth Center

37095 Marquette
467-3165
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Finance
Mike Gorman, Director/
Treasurer
City Hall - 36601 Ford
Tax Info. 467-3172
Water Billing 467-3175
Finance T.D.D. 467-7919
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

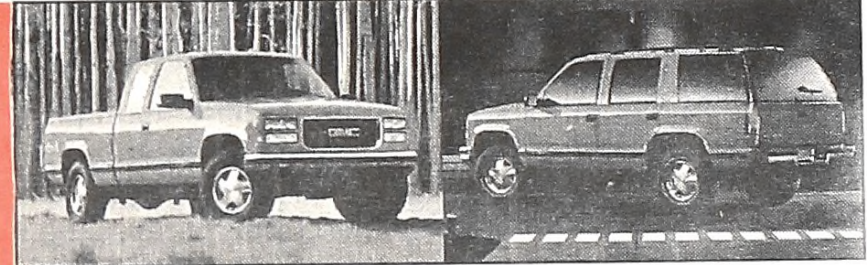
Fire
Michael J. Reddy, Fire Chief
William J. Engle Memorial Bldg.
37201 Marquette
Administration 467-3201
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Municipal Golf Course
Robert Kosowski, Manager
500 S. Merriman
721-6660
Seasonal Hours

Parks and Recreation
Charles Skene, Director
Bailey Recreation Center, 36651
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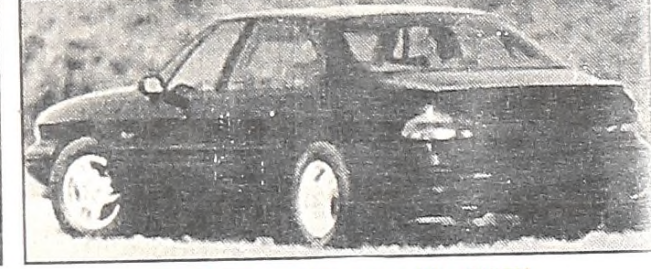


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Museum keeps history of Westland

The Westland Historical Museum was originally an 80-acre farm house constructed in 1860. As indicated in the original land grant, the farm was bordered by Marquette on the north, Cherry Hill on the south, east by Wayne Road and west by Linville Street.

The museum was formerly located in the Millkeeper's House, adjacent to the Nankin Mill, leased from Wayne County and opened in October of 1974. The former museum served the people of Westland until the collection outgrew the building. The commission began looking for a more suitable site eventually choosing the 857 N. Wayne Road site.

The current museum was purchased in July of 1979 with funding from a state grant for a permanent site for the rapidly growing West-

The current museum was purchased in July of 1979 with funding from a state grant for a permanent site for the rapidly growing Westland Historical Collection. From its earliest days as Nankin Township, Westland had been primarily a farming community and the museum serves as an example of a typical Michigan farmhouse in the area in the mid-1800s.

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The Historical collection/references includes school records,

township records, birth and death records from the Wayne County Poor-House (Eloise), maps, biographies of prominent families, election materials, newspapers, and more. There is a library of historical books and reference materials and an area to study. Teachers wishing to bring their classes to tour the

museum are asked to make arrangements in advance.

The Historical Commission operates the museum on a non-profit basis. A nine-member body appointed by the Mayor comprises the commission on a non-salaried schedule. Budgeting allows the museum to be operated on a weekly basis by volunteers and commission members. Activities include purchasing of materials and collection items through grants, fund raising and donations.

For more information on the Westland Historical Museum, 857 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Mailing address: 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Mich. 48185. (313) 326-1110. Helen C. Brown Historical Museum hours: Saturday 1-4 p.m. (except holidays) special tours by appointment: Joe Benyo or Tom Brown 467-3183.

Youth Assistance program focuses on intervention

The Westland Youth Assistance Program was developed in response to the behavioral needs of Westland youth ages 7-16. The purpose is to provide early intervention for youth in order to avoid more serious problems with family, police, courts and schools.

When a youth is referred to the program the family and the youth visit the WYA offices for group and individual counseling. The youth eventually completes a self-appraisal form so he or she can personally identify areas they are most concerned about in themselves and their family.

During the second visit, the youth and family meet a volunteer mentor if the child decides he or she is in-

terested in the program. The focus of individual weekly meetings is eventually outlined in a contract the pair signs for a six-month period. Behavioral or emotional problems are identified and the mentor and the child spend the next few months working on solving big and small situations together.

The youth may be encouraged to participate in recreational activities, tutoring, or the work-service program in the community (depending on the nature of the referral). In addition, youths 13 years of age and older will be required to attend eight hours of Project Impact sessions to improve positive life skills.

The Westland Youth Assistance Program is a community-based pro-

gram, funded by the City of Westland and the federal government. For more information on the WYA

or becoming a volunteer mentor, contact Roneaele Bowman or Carol Germain at 467-7904.



Suzanne and Rachel, 7, Sienko work together on a jewelry project at one of the Wayne-Westland schools. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



Westland youths enjoy participating in many programs throughout the community which includes meeting the Easter Bunny at the Westland Shopping Center. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Westland city council serves the residents

The Westland City Council is comprised of a seven-member cabinet elected to represent the residents of the community.

The council may take official action only by the passage and adoption of ordinances, resolutions or motions. A majority of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the cabinet. In the absence of a quorum a lesser number may adjourn any meeting to a later date.

Regular meetings of the Westland City Council are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers of City Hall, 36601 Ford Road. Special meetings may be called by the clerk on the written

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Sharon and Bobby Eagle participate in the Arc program in Westland. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Park system offers variety of programs

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department offers more than 30 different activities for residents of all ages. For the sports enthusiast, the recreation department offers men's and women's softball and basketball leagues; a men's 6 feet and under basketball league and women's volleyball. Racquetball, wallyball, brewball, drop-in basketball, beach volleyball and an extensive fitness facility are also available.

If you are looking for a facility to hold a banquet, wedding reception, or shower the Melvin G. Bailey Recreation Center has the facilities to host the function. The banquet rooms and gazebos offer a beautiful setting for your special day with an on-site full-service kitchen.

The recreation department also offers a wide range of classes for all age groups including swim lessons, karate, aerobics, gymnastics, weight lifting, and an assortment of dance classes. The Therapeutic Recreation Program for mentally and

physically challenged youths and adults provides organized activities and trips for participants on a daily and weekly basis including arts and crafts, games, movie nights, sporting events, and fund raising activities.

The City of Westland is proud to have seven parks, the largest of which is located directly behind the Bailey Recreation Center. Central City Park features a fitness trail, gazebo, two pavilions, nature trail, tennis courts, beach volleyball courts and a fitness area for the physically challenged. A large playscape is located along the edge of Central City Parkway featuring a slide, monkey bars and jungle gym.

Man-made Friendship Lake allows avid fishermen the opportunity to catch and release fish right in the heart of the geese lined park.

If you would like to speak with a parks and recreation representative about any of their scheduled activities, call 722-7620 seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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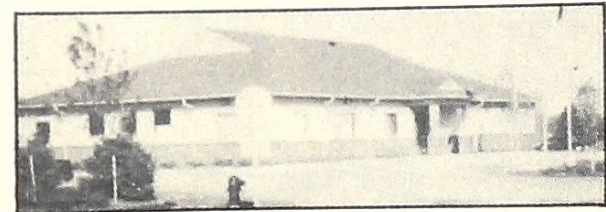


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Wayne-Westland schools serve 5 communities

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools serves the city of Wayne, most of Westland, half of the city of Inkster, a portion of Canton Township and a small segment of Romulus. Located midway between Detroit and Ann Arbor, Wayne-Westland is the third largest district in Wayne County, serving a student population of more than 15,000 students.

Five communities are served by two high schools, four middle schools, 17 elementary schools a vocational/technical center, adult/community education complex, an alternative education center and a special projects center.

The Wayne-Westland Foundation for the Improvement of Instruction was incorporated in 1980 for the welfare and benefit of the students enrolled in the district. It is a charitable trust organization established to: encourage innovation, promote developmental activities, support instruction, and assist unique education causes and project. During the 1994-95 school year, \$17,910 was allocated to fund 32 individual projects.

One of the most important factors in the success of children in school is the involvement of their parents or guardians in the educational process. Through the active leadership of the district Parent/Teacher Organization, the degree of involvement over the last 10 years has steadily improved for a variety of activities the district hosts.

Parents are actively involved at difference levels including in

school observations, helping students and teachers with classroom projects, chaperoning on field trips and during assemblies and volunteering after school where involvement in a related and enjoyable setting emphasizes that learning can be accomplished after the school bell rings.

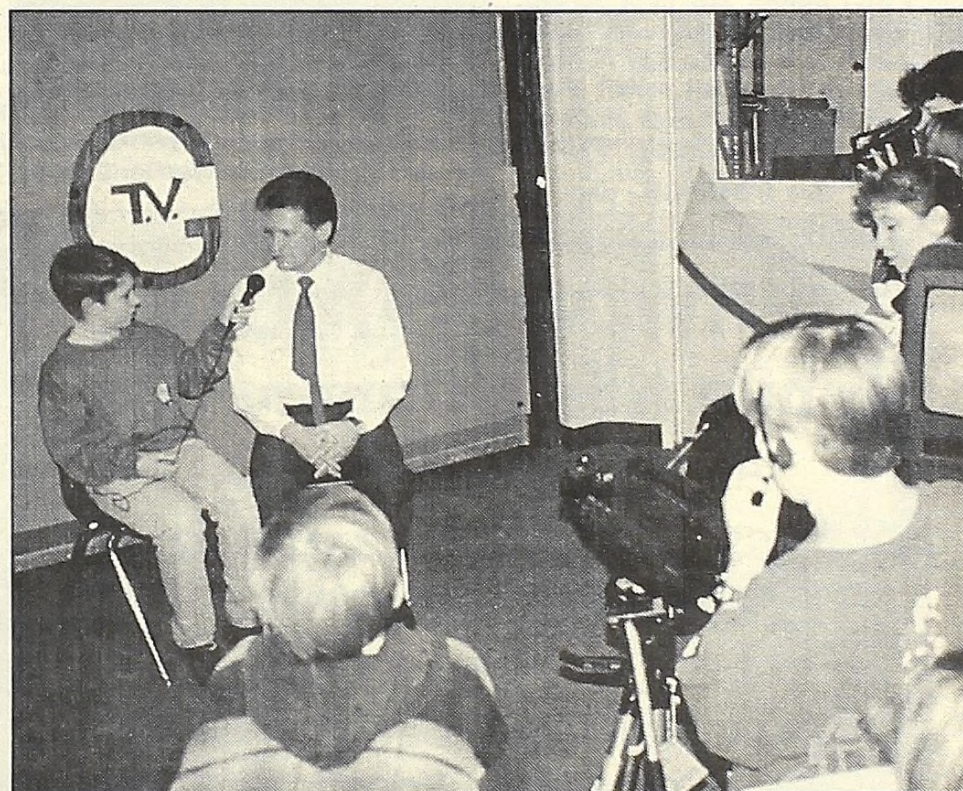
In addition to meeting the State Model Core Curriculum Objectives, the Wayne-Westland Community Schools also develop goals and objectives to accomplish the National Goals 2000: Educate America Act.

Goals for the year 2000 include: all children will start school ready to learn, the high school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent, all students leaving grades 4, 8 and 12 will have demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter and every American adult will be literate and possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

In compliance with the Open Meeting Act, the Wayne-Westland Board of Education has scheduled its regular meetings each month at 7 p.m. for the second and fourth Monday evenings, unless otherwise noted. The meetings are conducted in the Board of Education Conference room of the Timothy J. Dyer Educational Social Service Center, 34745 Marquette, Westland. Telecasts of board meetings are shown on Westland's Educational Channel 23, on the Tuesday and Thursday nights following the 7 p.m. meeting.



Homecoming (above) is one of the many activities planned at John Glenn High School in Westland. Cindy Palmeter's P.D. Graham Elementary School class learns how to become television experts. (below) MCN Special Photo



Many of the Wayne-Westland School District programs involve students in activities to build their self-esteem. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

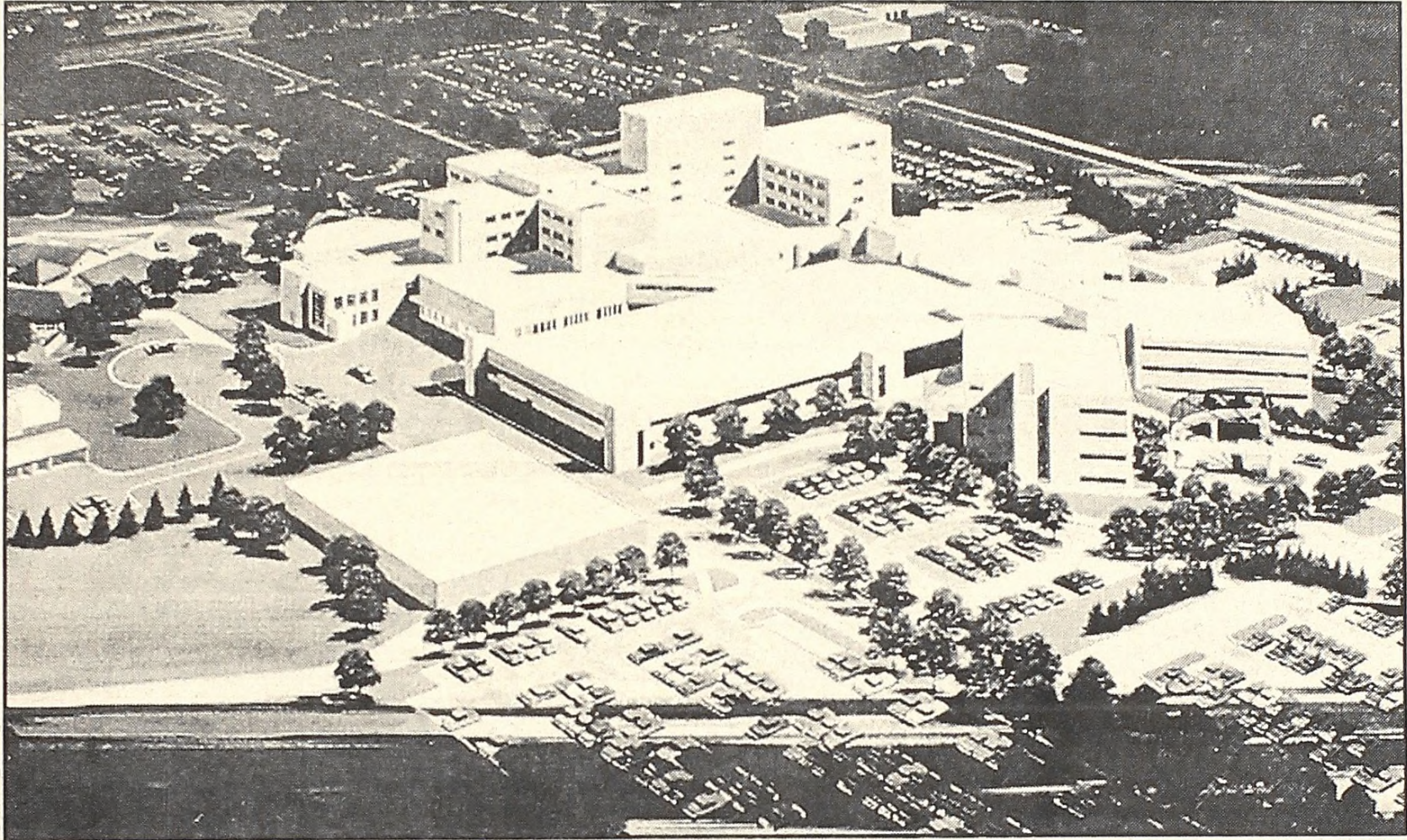


Kelly Boutin and Peter Lasker were selected as the Wayne Memorial valedictorians in 1995. MCN Special Photo



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Wayne noted as largest county in the U.S.

Wayne County is not only the most populous county in the state, but it is the largest county in the nation.

It is bounded on the west by Washenaw County at Napier and Rawsonville roads; north by Eight Mile (Base Line) Road; south by the Huron River and Monroe County and east by the Detroit River.

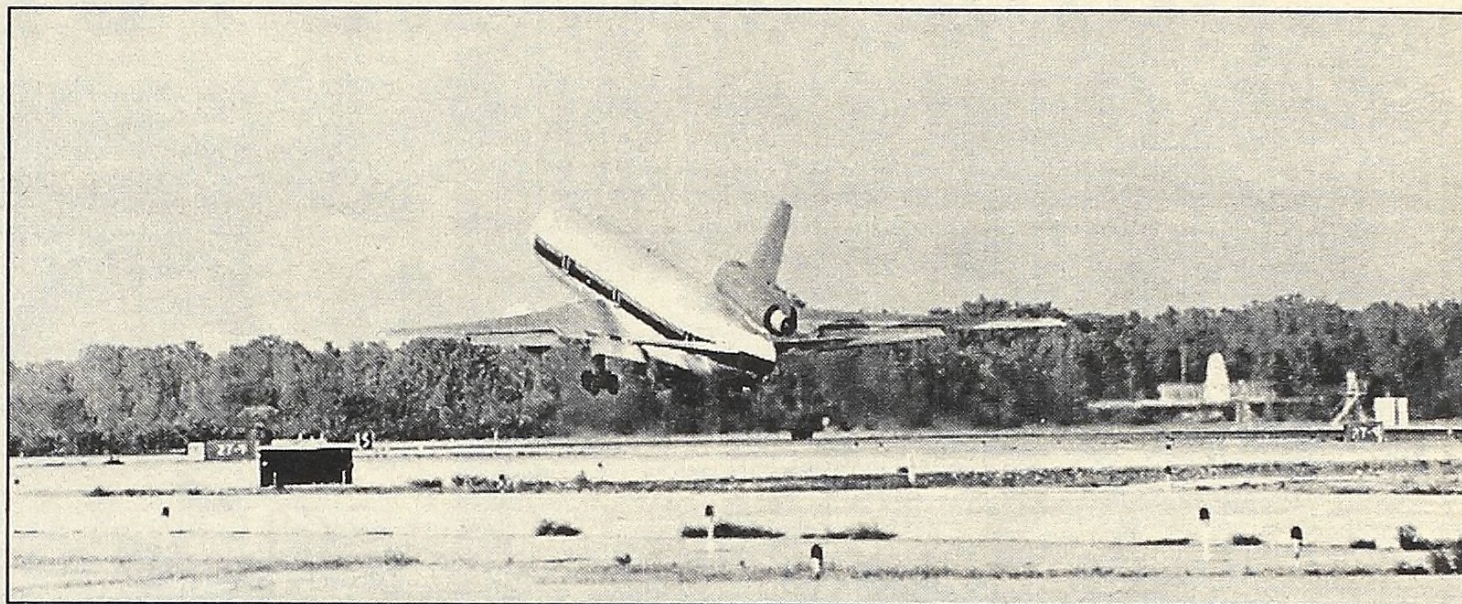
The county was first governed by a Board of Supervisors, created by state law in 1851, and more recently by a Board of Commissioners. In 1981, the voters approved a new charter and elected a county executive.

Heading the executive branch of Wayne County government is Edward McNamara, whose offices are in the Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph St., phone 224-0366.

Serving on his staff are: Michael Duggan, deputy chief executive officer, 224-0344; Suzanne Hall, assistant CEO, 224-0446, and Irma Clark, press secretary, 224-0831.

County Clerk Theola Hunter serves as chair of the Election Scheduling Committee and secretary to the Board of Election Commissioners. She is responsible for all record-keeping for the county. Clerk's office: 224-6262.

Prosecuting Attorney John



The Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Romulus continues to improve with many expansions and facelifts taking place. MCN Special Photo

O'Hair is based at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice, 1441 St. Antoine, Detroit, 224-5777. His chief assistant is George Ward, 224-5737.

Sheriff Robert Ficano is the peace officer for the county, with principal duties involving the charge and custody of county jails, law enforcement in county parks and on the waterways. Phone: 224-2233.

Raymond Wojtowicz is treasurer (224-5950) and Forest Youngblood is register of deeds (224-5854).

Wayne County Board of Commissioners include Andrew Richner, Bernard Parker, Robert Blackwell, Jewel Ware, Kenneth Cockrel, George Cushinberry Jr., Ricardo Solomon, Edna Bell, Michelle Plawecki, Thaddeus McCotter,

Bruce Patterson, Kay Beard, Susan Hubbard, William O'Neil and Edward Boike Jr.

Serving Western Wayne County are:

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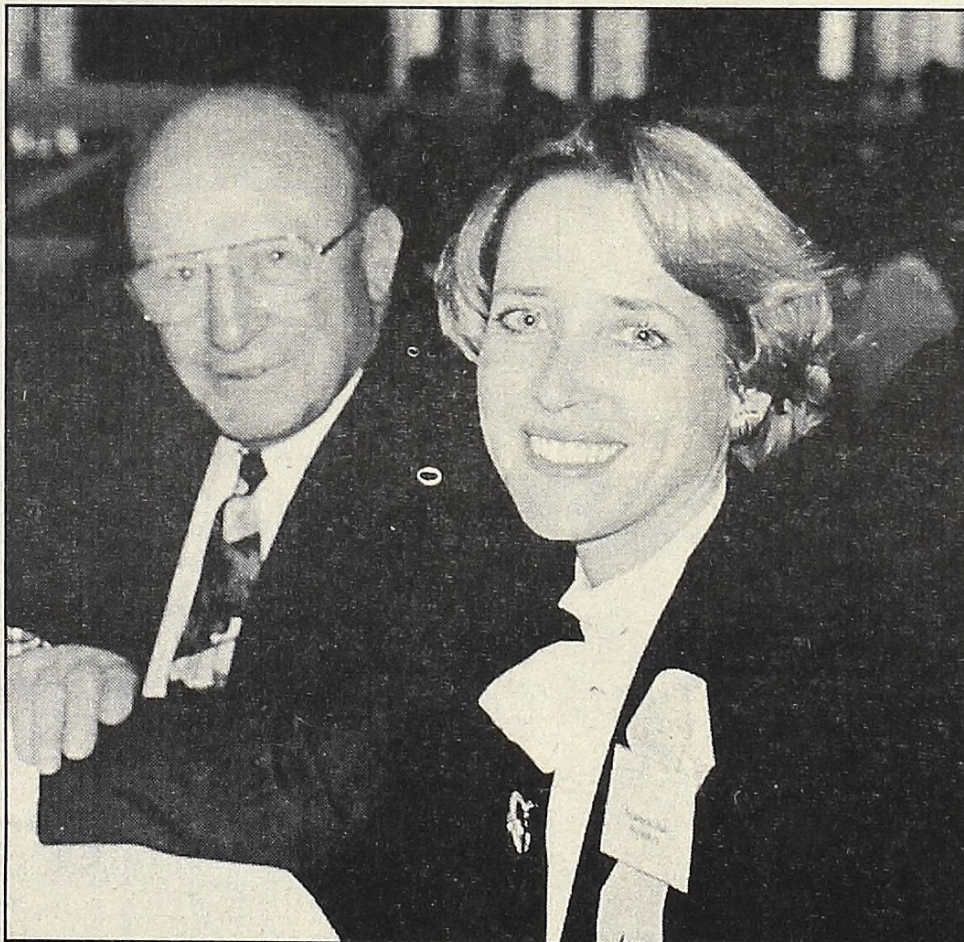
- Kay Beard, 12th District, Westland, Inkster, Garden City, 224-0902.

St. Mary Hospital

St. Mary Hospital, located at 36475 Five Mile Road at Levan in west-central Livonia, provides acute-care medical and health services to our community. Specialized medical services offered at the 304-bed hospital include medical/surgical, intensive/cardiac, oncology/radiation, maternity, women's health, physical medicine and rehabilitation, behavioral medicine, health education, and 24-hour emergency care.

Through expansions and modernization programs, St. Mary Hospital has continued to offer the latest in high quality health and medical services since opening in 1959. Most recently, the hospital opened an expanded, state-of-the-art Emergency Center featuring Prompt Care and a Chest Pain Clinic. In 1997, a two-story addition will open offering a new Women's Center, new Surgical Suites and an expanded Maternity Center with 20 single-room maternity suites.

St. Mary Hospital is sponsored by the Felician Sisters and affiliated with William Beaumont Hospital.



Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara (left) accompanied Suzanne Hall, assistant Wayne County Executive for Administration, to the YWCA-sponsored Women of Achievement Awards luncheon where Hall was presented with a Government/Law award. She is president of the Southgate City Council and a SEMCOG board member. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

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Airport

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has been increased 25 percent as Northwest has replaced many of its 267-seat DC-10s with 360-seat 747-200s.

A fourth parallel runway also has also been discussed in recent years and airport and county officials are busy purchasing lands adjacent to the airport to make that runway a reality as the 21st century grows near.

Despite the heavy increases, Metro Airport does not let down on its security or safety efforts.

In fact in December 1995 the staff and management of the Metro Airport's three-year-old Air Traffic Control Tower was named the facility of the year for 1994 by the Federal Aviation Administration.

In 1994 the Detroit TRACON unit worked 693,383 operations and the

Tower Cab served 485,306 operations.

Despite the increase in traffic, the Tower Cab controllers completed operations in 1994 with no operational errors (loss of standard separation between aircraft and airspace).

Paul Sheridan of Metro Airport said the tower personnel also were presented with a second award for an "excellence performance-zero errors" award for not allowing any aircraft to get too close to each other in flight patterns."

Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara also realizes that taxi cabs also are a major image factor for Metro Airport and thus has ordered a wholesale upgrading of taxis serving the airport.

Not only are the vehicles being improved, McNamara said, but also the services as taxi drivers are now being required to pass a geographical knowledge test and are ordered to take the passengers to their destination via the most direct route.

due to three major events: The railroad coming to Denton in 1838; the formation of Belleville Lake; and the occurrence of World War II, which created the Bomber Highway, the Willow Run Bomber Plant and Willow Run Airport.

The new Van Buren Town Hall was built in 1964. In 1995, construction began on an expansion to the building. This will include more office space, as well as a new jail facility.

History

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was at the Bank of Belleville, later known as the Peoples State Bank and now NBD; an accoucher is a doctor, midwife or obstetrician who attends births; Belleville became incorporated as a village in 1905; Pullen renovated the church into a funeral parlor in 1913; the Eastern Michigan Edison Company brought electric power to the area in 1914; the French Landing Dam, which had just been completed, burst and the whole lake headed to Lake Erie, and the second and third floors of Belleville High School were burned

An open house is slated in the Belleville office, 397 Main Street.

off the building in January of 1953.

During the month of March, the *Enterprise*, one of seven newspapers published by *Michigan Community Newspapers*, will observe the 110th anniversary of the newspaper with special events and advertising opportunities.

An open house is slated in the Belleville office, 397 Main Street, corner of Fourth, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to share in the celebration.

Council

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request of the Mayor, Council President or any three members of the council, on a 24-hour written notice.

The charter, established in 1966, created the mayor-council format of government including a full-time mayor's position and seven-member council. The cabinet is responsible for establishing city policy through monthly voting matters. Besides traditional boards for planning and zoning the city also created a board for library matters as well as housing, historical, seniors, economic development, parks and recreation, youth and environmental quality.

For more information about city council meetings, call the city

chambers at 467-3191, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. City Council Members, January 1996

Glenn Anderson
Justine Bams
Sandra Cicirelli
Charles "Trav" Griffin
Richard LeBlanc
Charles Pickering
Sharon Scott
City Council Members, December 1995

Glenn Anderson
Thomas Brown
Sandra Cicirelli
David Cox
Charles "Trav" Griffin
Charles Pickering
Sharon Scott

Pose

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1875, voters agreed to allow the Grange Society to construct a second story to the building. The hall was completed in November 1875. In 1995, the building was restored to near-original condition, and the Belleville Area Museum is set to move in.

The township has grown quickly

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Wayne County represented by elected officials, officers, clerk

The Michigan Constitution of 1963 provides that voters of each county must elect a sheriff, clerk, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, and treasurer for four year terms. The county charter provides for the election of a county executive. In addition, probate and circuit court judges are elective constitutional officers operating on the county level.

County clerk

The county clerk is clerk of the circuit court and clerk of the following boards: The board of commissioners, tax allocation board, board of county canvassers, concealed weapon licensing board, and county plat board. He or she serves as chair of the election scheduling committee, and secretary to the board of election commissioners. The clerk is also a statutory member of the Wayne County apportionment commission. Other functions of the clerk are primarily record keeping in nature. For example, he or she must keep transcripts of births and deaths, issue marriage licenses, record and index all business assumed names, co-partnership certificates, notary public appointments and discharges of military personnel.

County executive

The county executive is the head of the executive branch of county government. As such, the county executive has power and duty to: supervise, coordinate, direct and control all county facilities, operations and functions except as otherwise provides by law or the county charter; implement and enforce the laws of the state and county ordinances, resolutions, orders and rules; exercise all powers and duties granted by law, ordinance or charter, submit reports and recommendations to the commission on any matter affecting the county; exercise powers and duties required for emergency preparedness; maintain a planning division; veto any ordinance or resolution having the effect of law or approving a contract, or any line item in an appropriation ordinance by transmitting to the commission written certification of the veto and reasons therefore; maintain reorganization plan to the county commission and propose amendments to such plan at any time; coordinate the project activities of the departments of road commission and public works which affect county roads; and supervise, direct and control func-



The Annual Wayne County Marshmallow Drop is enjoyed by children of all ages in Western Wayne County. The Drop usually takes place in April around the Easter holiday. MCN Special Photo



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McNamara leads county government

Under the county charter, members of most boards and commissions are appointed by the county executive subject to the approval of the board of commissioners. The board appoints members of the county board of canvassers, three members of the election scheduling committee, the Metropolitan Airport zoning board of appeals, and the planning and development commission. Still, other members retain membership on certain commissions by law.

Airport zoning board of appeals, Detroit metropolitan

Because Wayne County has adopted airport zoning regulations, the law requires that this board be appointed to hear any appeals from these regulations.

Building authority, Wayne County

This authority was established by state law as a separate county governmental agency in order to finance and to administer building construction projects. The remodeling of the Frank Murphy Hall Of Justice and the Temple Building, the construction of the Dickerson Detention Facility, the Wayne



Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara spends a great deal of his time making sure programs for children continue in the County. MCN Special Photo

County Medical Examiner's facility and the Warren Valley clubhouse are all examples of projects completed by the authority.

Civil service commission

This three-member commission, appointed by the CEO, was established by the county charter within the department of personnel/

human resources. The commission hears and decides grievance cases arising under the classified service which are not subject to procedures of collective bargaining contracts. The commission also considers appeals of examinees based upon allegations that examinations failed to comply with charter provisions and/

or existing personnel rules.

Board of canvassers

The board consists of four members, two democrats and two republicans, appointed by the commissioners for a four-year term, two selected every two years. On the day or days immediately following elections, the board, through its staff, reviews, analyzes and scrutinizes election returns for the several candidates for national, state and county offices. This board conducts recounts for all units of government within the county.

Board of health

The Wayne County Health Department serves the county of Wayne outside Detroit. The major programs and divisions include: environmental health, communicable disease control, family health services through field and health centers, air pollution control, and planning and evaluation. The department has authority by virtue of the P.A. 368 of 1978, the state public health code.

Port authority

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Wayne County courts maintain justice

Circuit court

This is a court of general jurisdiction including felony cases arising in Wayne County outside Detroit. It is a court of appeal from all lower courts except recorder's court. There are 35 circuit court judges elected.

District court

The district court has jurisdiction over civil infractions and civil actions not exceeding \$10,000. In criminal actions, it has jurisdiction of misdemeanors, ordinances and charter violations and preliminary examinations in all felony cases and misdemeanor cases in which examinations are held.

36th District court

The 36th district court was established on Sept. 1, 1981. The court presently has 31 judges who are elected by Detroit voters and six magistrates appointed by the chief judge.

The district court has exclusive jurisdiction over: civil infractions not exceeding \$10,000 per defendant; civil infractions; misdemeanors punishable by fine, imprisonment or both; arraignments on felony, misdemeanor and ordinances, the fixing of bail and the acceptance of bonds and conducting preliminary examinations of all felony charges and misdemeanor charges.

Recorder's court

Judges to this court are elected by Detroit voters only. The recorder's court has jurisdictions of felonies committed within the corporate limits of the city of Detroit.

Upon completion of the preliminary examination before the 36th district court and the binding over for trial, all criminal cases committed in the city of Detroit are then assigned to recorder's court for arraignment on the information and then over for trial. Recorder's court is partially financed by the county, the city and the state. Detroit voters elect 29 judges to recorder's court.

The probate court

The probate court has jurisdiction in all matters relating to: settlement of estates of all deceased persons whether testate or intestate, trusts and trustees, appointments of guardians of minors and adults as prescribed by law, and settlement of estates of such minors and adults under conservatorship; exercise of similar powers over estates and persons of those determined to be developmentally disabled or legally incapacitated; commitment of mentally ill persons to proper institutions and rendering of orders that they are no longer mentally ill; issuing of secret marriage licenses and changes of names; taking and recording of affidavits acknowledging parentage of children born out of wedlock, etc.

The juvenile division of the probate court

This division has exclusive original jurisdiction superior to and regardless of the jurisdiction of any other court in cases involving delinquent, neglected, abused, dependent minors, and adoptions.



Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Brian Zahra and Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson (right). MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Appoint

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Under enabling legislation enacted by the state of Michigan, the city of Detroit and Wayne County by joint resolution formed the Detroit/ Wayne County Port Authority in 1979. Two members of the board of directors are appointed by the board of commissioners, two are ap-

pointed by the mayor of Detroit, and one is appointed by the governor of Michigan.

The port authority works in conjunction with state and local government and private investors to serve as a catalyst on projects which have a public purpose in the areas of international trade and freight transportation. The port authority conducts marketing and promotional activities in international

trade and freight transportation.

Public library

Under state legislation, the Wayne County Public Library board was established to administer the county library fund and library services in those communities requesting such services. The library provides public library services to 24 local governmental units in the county through 16 public libraries, special library services countywide

to the blind and physically handicapped, and services to Wayne County institutions.

Public works

The department of public works was established in 1960 under permissive legislation for the purpose of assisting in the financing and construction of relief interceptor sewers and treatment plant expansion. This board directs the activities of the department of public works.

Elect

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tions of all departments of the county except those headed by elected officials, and coordinate the various activities of the county and unify the management of its affairs.

County treasurer

The treasurer is the custodian of all monies, collector of county taxes, disbursing agent for certain

tax funds to local communities, and school districts, investment officer of funds belonging to and under the control of the county and performs other duties concerned with the interrelated fiscal matters of the numerous county departments and agencies.

Prosecuting attorney

The prosecuting attorney has the responsibility to prosecute all violations of the state criminal laws within the county and to represent the state and county in appeals con-

nected therewith before the Michigan Court of Appeals, Michigan State Supreme Court and federal courts.

Register of deeds

The very first constitution of the state of Michigan adopted by Congress of the United States in 1836, established the office of register of deeds. The register of deeds is the official recording officer for all legal papers and instruments pertaining to the transfer and

incumbrances of all lands and properties within the county. The register of deeds is also chairperson of the county plat board.

Sheriff

The sheriff is the peace officer for the county. His or her principal duties involve the charge and custody of the county jail, the serving of processes, law enforcement in the county parks, on the waterways, recorder's and circuit courts, OUIL enforcement and traffic enforcement on secondary roads.

Seniors enjoy life in Wayne County

The Senior Alliance Area Agency on Aging 1-C

The Focal Point for Seniors in Western and Southern Wayne County

The Senior Alliance (TSA) operates as the designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for Western and Southern Wayne County. TSA has the responsibility of planning, developing, funding, and coordinating services for older persons. This region, which is also known as Planning and Service Area (PSA) 1-C, is comprised of 34 communities.

The agency is governed by a 34 member Board of Directors, each appointed by the mayor or supervisor of communities within the PSA. The Board receives advice on senior issues from an Advisory Council composed of seniors, service providers, and the general public.

TSA seeks to address the many concerns of older persons by advocating for their needs in various forums, including serving on

TSA has the responsibility of planning, developing, funding, and coordinating services for older persons.

committees of regional organization. TSA has established relationships with several local and regional organizations impacting on issues such as housing, transportation, mental health, elder abuse, Medicare, Medicaid, DRG problems, and intergenerational concerns. Several special projects have also been undertaken.

TSA operates a senior employment program under the Title V Senior Community Services Employment Program of the OAA. The goal of the program is to train seniors for employment in unsubsidized positions.

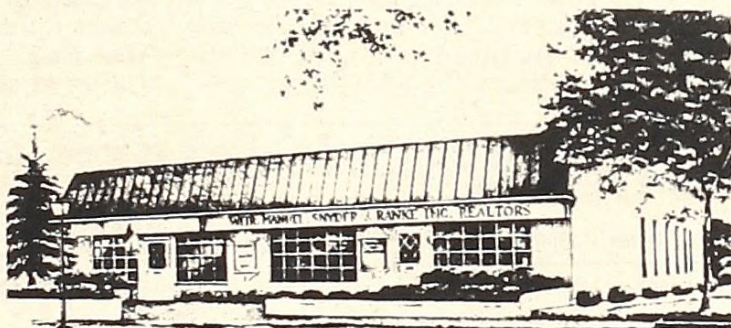
TSA's Care Management program assists frail older persons who are

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Westland Friendship Center director Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek takes great pride in making sure seniors who visit the Friendship Center enjoy the activities and services offered. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

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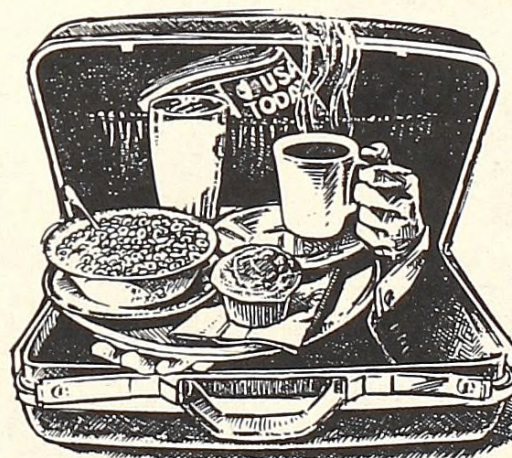
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The Medical Team
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Suite 602

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Phone: 1-800-305-0533

Service Area: All communities in Western and Southern Wayne County

HEARING IMPAIRED SERVICES

Seniors experiencing hearing problems can receive assistance from a service that offers assistance to enable them to better compensate from the losses in daily life. The service includes the provision of training in American Sign Language. Other allowable activities include:

- education/training relative to community services for, and rights and benefits of hearing impaired and deaf persons
- assistance in obtaining benefits and services
- training in techniques for adjusting lifestyle and living arrangements in response to hearing impairments and deafness
- community education on hearing impairments, deafness, and prevention.

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Homebound seniors who do not have a support system to prepare meals can receive a hot lunch delivered to them on weekdays.

Service Area: All communities in Western and Southern Wayne County

Seniors can contact Deaf & Hearing Impaired Services, Inc. for similar assistance (Phone: 810-473-1888, TDD: 810-473-1875).

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Homebound seniors who do not have a support system to prepare meals can receive a hot lunch delivered to them on weekdays. Meal recipients have to be assessed as to their need. The meals are supposed to provide at least one-third of the Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA). For weekends and holidays, some recipients will receive frozen meals that can be heated at home.

Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services

Phone: 326-4400 or 1-800-851-1454

Service Area: All communities in Western and Southern Wayne County

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phone number is 495-0227. Terry Bennett's work number is 397-5367.

Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter, originally from upstate New York, is married and has three children. She has lived in Canton for 27 years. Her home phone number is 453-8053 and work number is 397-5371.

Trustee Robert Shefferly is married with three children. He lives on Hanford Road, and his home phone number is 455-1535. He has lived in Canton for 24 years.

Trustee Philip LaJoy has lived in Canton for 20 years, is married and has two children. He lives on Willow Creek and his home phone number is 981-4296.

Trustee John Burdziak has lived

State Senator Loren Bennett was elected in Nov. 1995, and his term expires in the year 2000.

in Canton for 23 years, and is married with three children. He resides on Kingsbridge and his home phone number is 459-1313.

Trustee Melissa McLaughlin has lived in Canton for 34 years, and lives on Ridge Road with her husband and four children. Her home phone number is 495-0304.

Other elected officials

State Senator Loren Bennett was elected in Nov. 1994, and his term expires in the year 2000. His Lansing phone number is (517) 373-7350.

State Representative Deborah Whyman was elected in 1992, and is serving in her second term, which expires in 1996. Her phone number is (517) 373-2575.



Seniors from the Golden Hour Club in Wayne launched balloons with Monroe Elementary School students in the Wayne-Westland School District as a way to display their friendship. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

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Canton formed around two crossroads villages, Cherry Hill and Sheldon Corners. Sheldon Corners was established in 1825 by Timothy and Rachel Sheldon, who built an inn, which still stands. Sheldon Corners formed at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road.

Cherry Hill was formed at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads, and featured a school, a church, and other village buildings.

Nine one-room schoolhouses were built in Canton, usually built at a crossroad. Today, five of the original buildings remain: Cherry Hill School, Canton Center School (which houses the Canton Historical Museum), Sheldon, Hough, and Hanford. Several of the schools are both local and state historical sites.

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total at 60,696 through July of 1993.

The report showed population growth of about 6.4 percent during the three-year period. Based on the new document, Canton's population has grown nearly 16 percent between 1990 and 1995. That growth remains one of the fastest growing among the 43 communities in Wayne County. The only comparable population growth has occurred in Van Buren Township, Northville Township, and Huron Township, according to the SEMCOG report which looked at 1990-1993.

The SEMCOG report also calculates that Canton currently includes 22,591 households, an increase from the 19,536 households reported during the 1990 census. The households total includes 11,060 with children, and 11,531 without children.

Long range, SEMCOG estimates Canton's population will increase by 28,000, to approximately 85,000 between the years 1990 and 2010. That represents population growth of nearly 50 percent over the 20-year period.

Canton's Community Planner Jeff Goulet noted that the preliminary report also projected increases in the employment base in the community by almost 100 percent, from 14,220 in 1990 to 27,499 by the year 2010.

Referral Systems

Chore services gives seniors work helpers

Northville Twp., Plymouth, Plymouth Twp., Redford, Romulus, Sumpter Twp., Van Buren Twp., Wayne, Westland

The Information Center
15100 Northline Road, Suite 159
Southgate, MI 48195
Phone 282-7171

Service Area: Allen Park, Brownstown Twp., Ecorse, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile Twp., Lincoln Park, Melvindale, River Rouge, Riverview, Rockwood, Southgate, Taylor, Trenton, Woodhaven, Wyandotte.

CHORE SERVICES

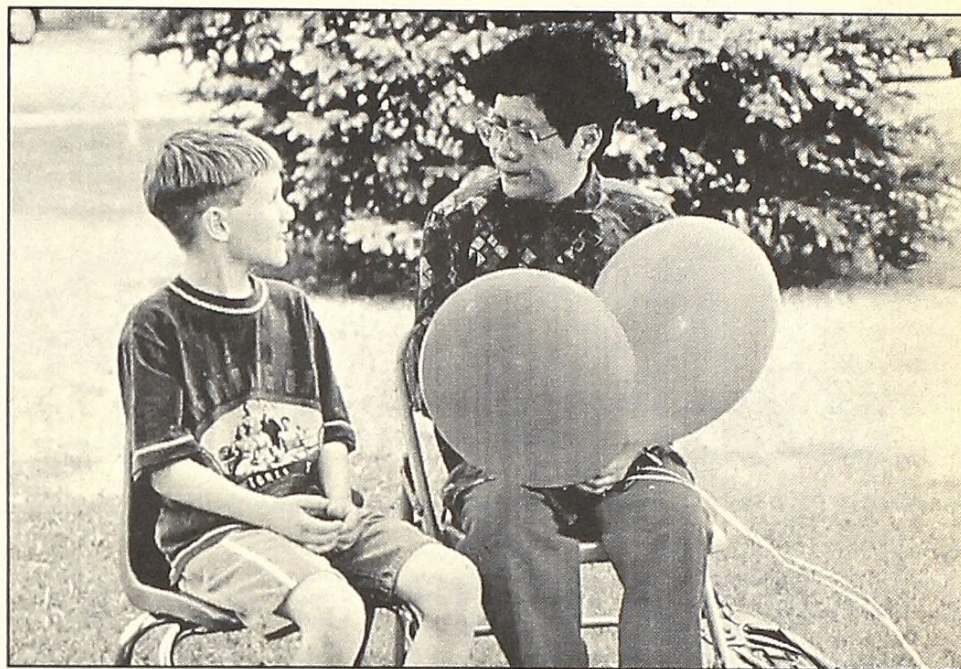
Chore services currently are available as a funded service only in a few communities. It is also available informally through a referral system in the other communities (see Chore Referral below). The program offers assistance with household maintenance tasks such as snow removal, leaf raking, and lawn mowing. In addition to the agencies/departments listed below,

several communities operate their own chore programs. Contact your city/township hall about available programs.

Garden City
31735 Maplewood
Garden City
Phone: 525-8848
Service Area: Garden City
Gibraltar School District
28291 Fort St.

Trenton
Phone: 675-4611
Service Area: Cities of Gibraltar, Rockwood, and part of Brownstown Twp.

Inkster Services
Thompson Towers
27727 Michigan Avenue
Inkster
Phone: 277-5915 (9-2), 561-2383
Service Area: City of Inkster
City of Livonia
Civic Park Senior Center
15219 Farmington Road
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Monroe Elementary school students in the Wayne- Westland School District last year met with their pen pals from the Wayne Golden Hour Club to celebrate their friendship. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



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Romulus resident Mary Harkless serves as a conductor on the train at Greenfield Village. MCN Special Photo

Housing remains top priority for senior citizens

Eligibility Rules

Eligibility rules for housing programs vary considerably. Factors such as age, income, current housing status, living conditions and disability can all play a significant role in determining eligibility.

For subsidized housing age 62 is generally used as a qualifying factor. Contact the manager of the com-

plex or housing unit for more information about these requirements.

Condominiums

Condominiums offer seniors an opportunity to live in their own homes without having to maintain large yards.

Residents of condominiums have title to their property, and also have

an interest in the common areas that are part of the complex.

The complex will more than likely charge owners monthly fees to cover the cost of maintenance, repairs and improvements to the common area.

Mobile Homes

Mobile Homes are popular in some areas of the country as a low-

cost alternative for older persons.

Mobile homes generally are located in Mobile Home Parks. The disadvantage of mobile homes is that the mobile home depreciates in value, and would not be a good investment like single family home.

The advantage of mobile homes is that, in most states, they are considered to be personal property.

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having difficulty in accessing services.

The Shelter Advisor employed by TSA provides seniors with information about suitable housing options and home heating assistance.

TSA offers help to older persons

through the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP). Several trained volunteer counselors assist older persons in understanding and accessing the Medicare system more effectively.

The Senior Alliance Holiday Meals (SAHM) program provides special hot meals for homebound seniors on Thanksgiving, Christmas,

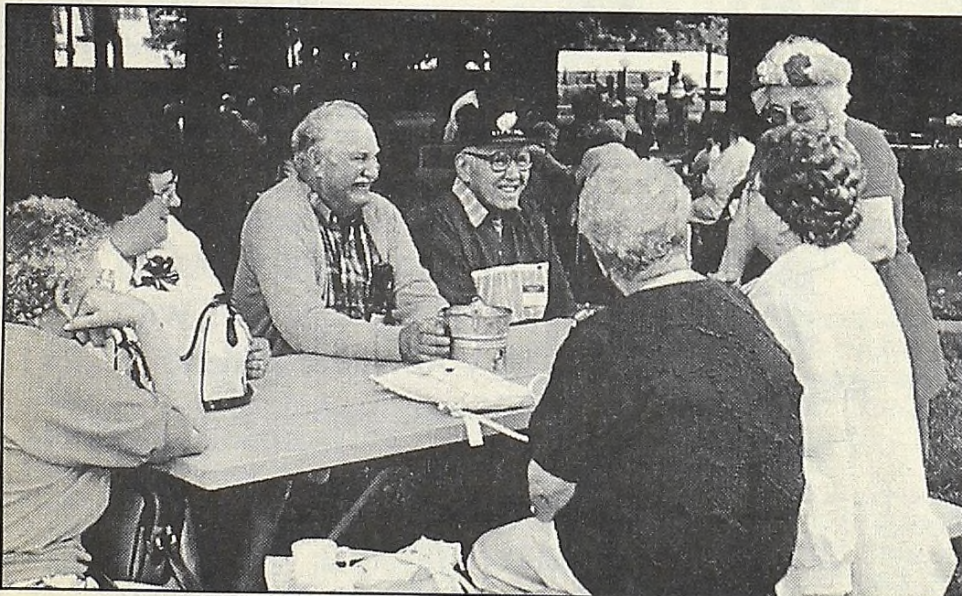
and Easter.

The Gatekeeper program relies on referrals from utility workers, postal employees, and the general public to identify seniors in need of assistance.

An agency published newsletter, Seniority News, reaches more than 25,000 readers quarterly. A smaller publication, Seniority News Bulle-

tin, has been developed to provide information to contractors, elected officials, and senior centers.

The Senior Alliance
3850 Second, Suite 160
Wayne, MI 48184
Phone/TDD: (313) 722-2830
FAX: (313) 722-2836
In the (810) and (313) area codes,
call toll free: 1-800-815-1112



Seniors of all ages like to participate in many activities including line dancing (right) and socializing with their friends at the Friendship Center in Westland. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



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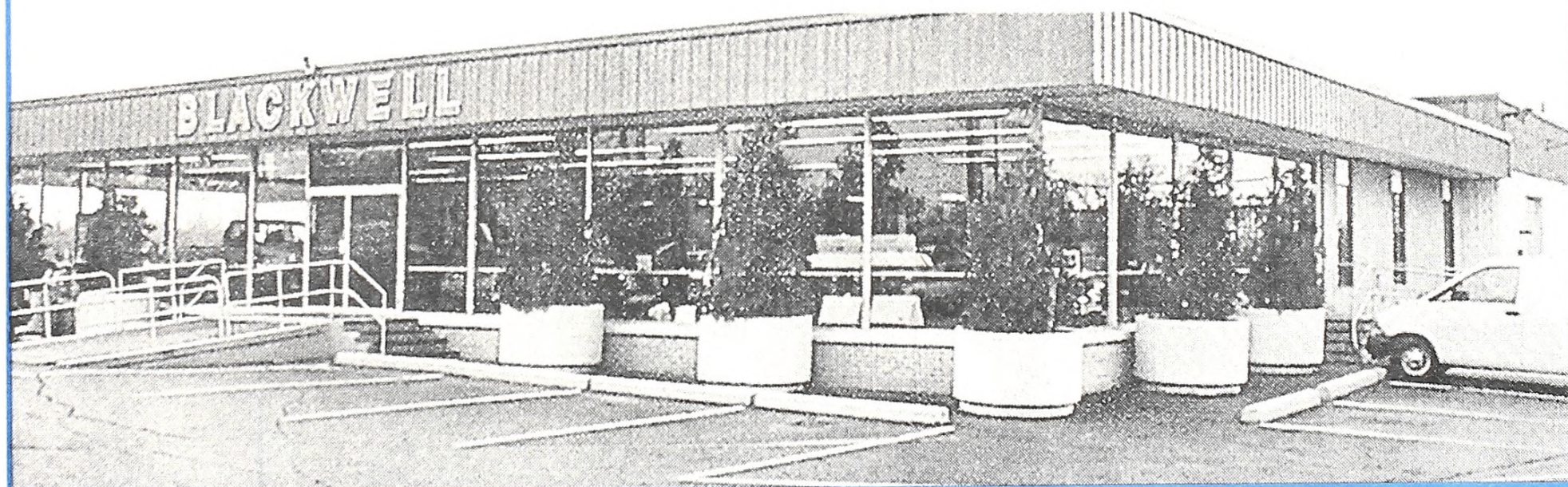
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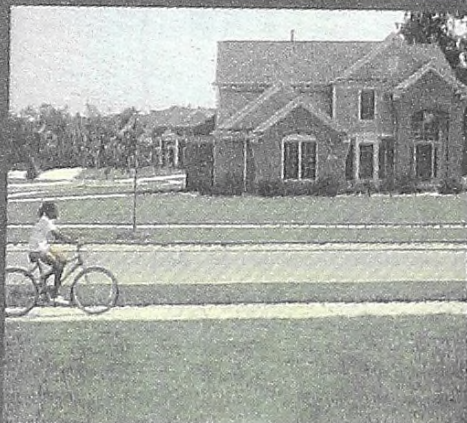
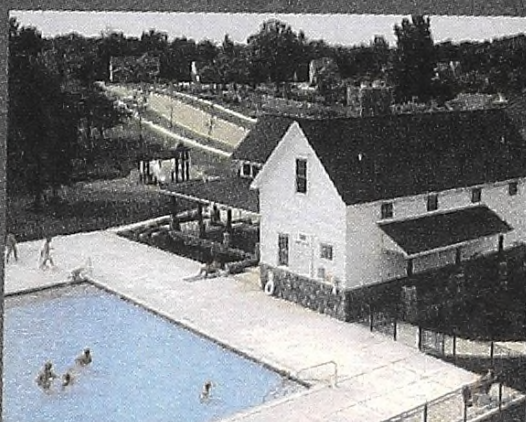
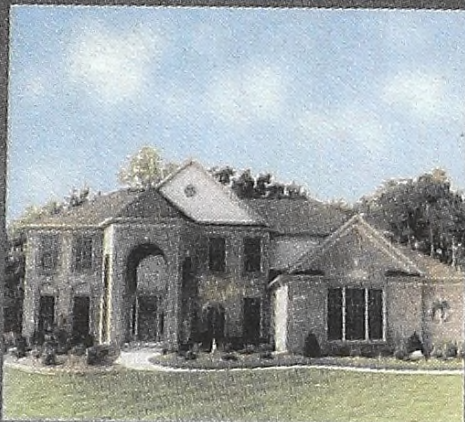


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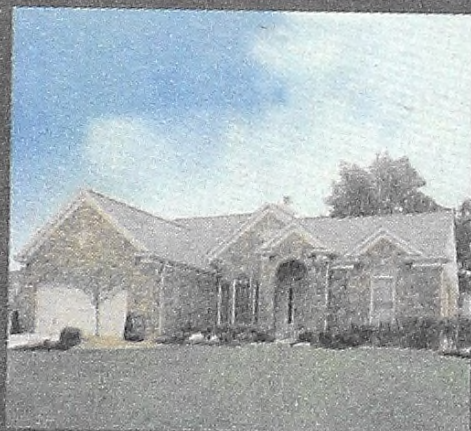
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